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Fall Quarterly Meeting

A VERY good attendance was registered for the fall quarterly directors meeting in Abilene, September 22-23. Over 200 directors and their wives, members and guests of the Association were present for the meeting, which is considered to be a big turnout for this time of the year.

In committees and the general session, the directors discussed many subjects of vital concern to the sheep and goat industry and recommended action on several problems. The proceedings of the meeting are set forth in the official minutes found elsewhere in this issue; however, some of the more important information should be pointed out.

The newly organized *Southwest Animal Health Research Foundation* received the enthusiastic support of the directors, and plans are being formulated for the TS&GRA to assist in promoting the solicitation of producers' contributions in our sheep and goat industry. A suggested schedule of contributions based on 50c per animal unit, which would mean 10c per head for sheep and goats, will be followed in carrying out the program. The program is entirely voluntary, and producers will be presented this schedule as a guide; they may contribute more if they so desire.

As explained in previous reports, the ultimate financing of the eradication program will require federal funds to match producers' contributions, a plan which was successful in the Florida program several years ago. More details on this will be provided in subsequent issues of the magazine. It should be stressed that the Foundation is ready to accept donations now and that checks may be mailed to the Southwest Animal Health Research Foundation, 426 Rio Grande Building, Dallas, or to the TS&GRA office, P. O. Box 1486, San Angelo. Checks should be made payable to the Southwest Animal Health Research Foundation.

Directors voted to recommend to the National Wool Growers Association that a lawyer be hired to sit in on the USDA lamb marketing complaint hearings and report the proceedings to the state wool growers' associations.

Directors expressed dissatisfaction with the recently passed Bracero (Public Law No. 78) legislation in the Congress which further restricts our Mexican ranch labor program to the point of being useless to ranchmen. TS&GRA officials will again request that the Mexican ranch labor program be placed under Public Law 414, administered by Immigration Service.

Other important discussions included salt water pollution problems, lamb promotion, wool and mohair promo-

From Your Association Office

By TOM WALLACE

Executive Secretary

tion, and continuance of the shearing training program.

Purchase of a building in San Angelo to be used as the Association headquarters received unanimous approval by the Board. This purchase is reported in more detail in another section of the Association page.

Lamb Marketing Investigation

Two years ago, representatives of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association and other associations of the National Wool Growers Association requested that investigation be made on lamb marketing practices in order that factual information might be secured on the margins between the live, wholesale and retail prices of lamb. The investigation conducted by the Packers and Stockyards Division of the Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA, concluded recently, and the following report containing excerpts from the USDA complaint received from the National Wool Growers Association office is provided for your further information on the matter:

"Seven meat packing companies, three national food store chains and two lamb dealers today were charged with violation of the Packers and Stockyards Act, Secretary of Agriculture Orville L. Freeman announced.

"The complaint was filed with the U. S. Department of Agriculture following hearings conducted by the Packers and Stockyards Division of the Agricultural Marketing Service, which administers the Act. Charges are against packers James Allan and Son (San Francisco), Armour and Company, Goldring Packing Company (Los Angeles), John Morrell and Company, Rath Packing Company, Swift and Company, and Wilson and Company, food chains American Stores Company, The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, and Safeway Stores; and dealers Dwight L. Heath (Lamar, Colorado), and Perry Holley (Ogden, Utah).

"Allan, American Stores, Armour, Goldring, Rath, Swift, Wilson, Heath, and Holley are charged with:

"1. Failing to conduct their lamb buying operations in competition with and independently of each other.

"2. Making arrangements or agreements that they would not compete against each other in buying lambs in certain producing areas.

"These courses of action, the complaint charges, were followed with the purpose or with the effect of manipulating or controlling lamb prices and restricting competition in lamb buying.

"The complaint also alleges that on each large volume purchase of dressed lamb by A. & P. from Armour, Morrell, Rath, Swift, and Wilson, and by Safeway from packers, Armour, Goldring, Swift, and Wilson:

"1. All or most of the packers share in furnishing the chain stores' total requirements.

"2. All or most of the packers sell the lamb to the chain at the same prices.

"3. The packers commit themselves to sell the chain specific amounts of dressed lamb at the same price, prior to the time the packers buy lambs to fulfill their future commitments.

"These practices, the complaint charges, have the effect of manipulating or controlling prices of lamb."

"These are gravely serious charges," Secretary Freeman declared, "against several organizations—packers, dealers and retailers—who are important factors in the distribution of a vital food from our farmers to our consumers."

"If the allegations are proved, they will explain in part at least why lamb prices have not been reacting to marketing conditions during the last several years. This situation has understandably disturbed lamb producers, and we are investigating it thoroughly. Our investigation is continuing and is looking into other aspects of lamb markets. If the facts warrant, complaints may be filed against other persons. . . .

"We cannot allow such practices to be tolerated in the marketing of our food supply and we will not," Secretary Freeman said. "Our responsibility to our farmers, to the great majority of food marketers who do business fairly, and our continuing and growing responsibility to the consumers demand that we take prompt, vigorous action on such matters."

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The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association will pay a reward of \$500.00 for information leading to arrest and final conviction of anyone stealing sheep or goats from a member or members of the Association. Law enforcement officers are excluded from this offer. The information must be furnished to any law enforcement officer or to the Secretary of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association at its office, Cactus Hotel Annex, San Angelo, Texas. Telephone 6242 or 25612, San Angelo.

TEXAS SHEEP AND GOAT RAISERS' ASSOCIATION

Official Minutes

FOURTH QUARTERLY DIRECTORS MEETING TEXAS SHEEP AND GOAT RAISERS' ASSOCIATION ABILENE, TEXAS, SEPTEMBER 22-23, 1961

THE FOURTH quarterly directors meeting of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association was called to order by President Chas. Schreiner, III, at 9:45 A.M. The invocation was given by the Reverend Norman Conner, Pastor of the First Christian Church, Abilene. The address of welcome was extended by the Honorable C. R. Kinard, Mayor, City of Abilene, and the response to the welcome was given by Jimmie Powell, Fort McKavett.

The following directors were in attendance:

Dick Alexander, John Alexander, Allie Allsup, James Bader, James Baggett, Earl Barr, C. L. Bast, C. C. Belcher, W. A. Belcher, Horace Boyle, Dolph Briscoe, Jr., Mark Browne, Archie Bryson, Earl Byrd, Jack Canning, John Cargile, E. G. Cauble, Jr., Alvie Cole, Tom Collins, R. R. Coreth, V. Z. Cornelius, Harry Curtis, W. R. Cusenbary, Merlin Davis, Howard Derrick, Joe Dobson, O. D. Dooley, Clayton Egger, W. E. Friend, Jr., Charles Griffin.

Arthur Gromatzky, Fred W. Hall, Weir Hall, Gaylord Hankins, A. G. Harral, Jr., Alpheus Harral, W. W. Harral, Loyd Herring, Raymond Hicks, J. Ed Hill, Joe E. Hill, Pierce Hoggett, Ted Holekamp, Edwin Jackson, T. A. Kincaid, G. R. Kothmann, J. B. McCord, E. F. McEntire, P. K. McIntosh, Kenny McMullan, G. C. Marguder, Jr., E. S. Mayer, Sr., E. S. Mayer, Jr., Ralph Mayer, R. L. Melbern, Len Mertz, Mort L. Mertz, Roy Nunley, Jack Patterson, Carl Pfleger.

Miles Pierce, Victor I. Pierce, Jimmie Powell, Virgil Powell, Jim Priour, G. C. (Jerry) Puckett, Joe Brown Ross, R. R. Schott, Chas. Schreiner, III, Lance Sears, R. O. Sheffield, E. G. Sieker, Rodolph P. Smith, Jr., W. T. Stewardson, Gordon F. Stewart, L. M. Stephens, Coke Stevenson, Monty L. Stone, Jack B. Taylor, Bit Terry, F. H. Whitehead, Jr., Ernest L. Williams, Jack V. Williams, T. M. Williams, Stanley Williamson, Ed Willoughby, Ray Willoughby, J. V. Wilson, Dick Winters, James Wittenburg, Ray Wyatt.

Secretary's Report

In his report, Secretary Wallace stated that cash on hand at the close of the quarter was \$59,744.01, total receipts for the quarter were \$36,953.32 and total disbursements were \$16,147.59, with receipts over disbursements totaling \$20,805.73. He then explained the items in the disbursements column. He stated that membership was 5,520 following the removal of 474 delinquent member in the latter part of August, which reflected a net gain of 660 members over the same period last year. On a motion by Ray Willoughby, it was seconded and carried that Secretary Wallace's report be accepted.

And They Voted Unanimously

Directors of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, Chas. Schreiner, III, presiding, voted in Abilene, September 23 to purchase the first permanent office building for the Association.

The Association Buys a Home

President Schreiner presented a proposal that the Association purchase permanent headquarters, and stated that the officers had taken an option on the residence of the late Mrs. Ralph Leftwich, located at 233 West Two-hig, San Angelo, priced at \$26,500.00. He stated that in a recent meeting of the Advisory Committee, it was voted unanimously to recommend the purchase of this property to the directors. Following an appraisal report from C. E. Hoyt, Jr., San Angelo realtor, Lance Sears moved and J. B. McCord seconded that the Association purchase this property. Following discussion, the motion carried.

Changes in By-Laws

Vice President E. G. Cauble, Jr., Chairman of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, presented the following recommended changes:

"ARTICLE IV

"DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

"Section 1. e. Associate members; wool and mohair buyers, other individuals and businesses: \$10.00.

"ARTICLE VII

"OFFICERS:

"Section 1. Number: The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, a First Vice President, a Second Vice President, and a Third Vice President, who shall be elected at the annual convention, and an Executive Secretary, a Treasurer, and such Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers as may be necessary, who shall be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Board of Directors. The office of Executive Secretary and Treasurer may be held by one person.

"Section 3. Succession of Officers: In the event of death, resignation, or inability to serve, normal succession of officers will be made on the approval of the Board of Directors at the next quarterly meeting following such vacancy.

"Section 4. Election: Only the section number was changed.

On a motion by E. S. Mayer, Jr., it was seconded and carried that the above changes be approved for presentation to the membership for a vote at the next annual convention.

One Change Tabled

Chairman Cauble also presented the following proposed change:

"ARTICLE IV

"DUES AND ASSESSMENTS:

"Section 1. g. Junior Members; FFA and 4-H Members and other boys and girls up to age 18: \$2.00."

Following a discussion concerning the proper dues for this category, it was moved by Col. V. Z. Cornelius, seconded and carried that this change be tabled and referred back to the committee for further study.

National Quota \$15,711.00

President Schreiner announced that the Association's quota to the National Wool Growers Association for this year was \$15,711.00, up from \$12,135.00 last year. He stated that NWGA officers had informed him that the increase was brought about by increased work

in Washington, D. C., this year concerning extension of the National Wool Act. On a motion by O. D. Dooley, seconded by Jerry Puckett, it was voted that the President be authorized to remit the quota, or any part thereof, at his discretion.

The "Misses" Presented

President Schreiner called upon Jimmie Powell, Chairman, Wool and Mohair Promotion Committee, for his report. Mr. Powell introduced Mrs. Barbara Klindworth of Fashion Creators, Dallas, who told of the appearances of Miss Mohair and Miss Wool of Texas in various stores, fashion shows and TV shows over the state. She then presented Miss Mohair, Carlene Brown of Brady, and Miss Wool of Texas, Carolyn Barre of Yoakum, wearing their coronation gowns, and stated that Miss Wool's gown was designed by Miriam Ross of Singer in New York, and that Miss Mohair's gown was designed by Mercier of London. Miss Wool and Miss Mohair expressed appreciation to the directors and stated they hoped they were pleasing them in their efforts to promote wool and mohair.

Chairman Powell told of a hang-tag designed by Fashion Creators which is in the shape of Texas and bears the picture of a lamb and the words "Chosen for the Official Wardrobe of Miss Wool of Texas." He stated that manufacturers of the wardrobe were placing these tags on the garments prior to delivery to retail stores, that they had already used 5,000 tags and had ordered an additional 15,000. In closing his report, Mr. Powell commended Mrs. Barbara Klindworth, Mrs. Kim Dawson and Mrs. Polly Johnson of Fashion Creators for the work they are doing in promoting wool and mohair.

Screw Worm Fight Explained

Vice President E. G. Cauble, Jr., Chairman, Livestock Committee, called upon T. A. Kincaid, Chairman, Animal Health Subcommittee, for his report. Mr. Kincaid told of the organization of the Southwest Animal Health Research Foundation for the purpose of soliciting producer funds for use in a program to eradicate the screw worm fly from Texas and the Southwest as had been accomplished in the Southeastern states. He stated that the government will not provide a 100% financed program, but would be asked to match funds provided by the producers. He said that the Foundation is a non-profit organization and told of plans to organize county committees for the purpose of soliciting funds for use in the program. He stated that brochures and pamphlets would be sent out as soon as possible and urged that donors be asked to serve as a member of a county committee do so if at all possible. He pointed out that the officers of the Foundation will be bonded and that they will not receive salaries. He said that all money will go into the program with the possible exception of the salary of a stenographer. He said that donors will be tax exempt and that the Foundation felt the donations by the producers should be computed at 50c per animal unit or more if the producer so desired. He stated that an animal unit is equivalent to one cow, one horse, five sheep or five goats. He said it is estimated that the program will require three million dollars to get into operation and that a total of twenty million dollars will be required to see the program to completion. He said that upon the authorization by the TSGRA Advisory Board, he had announced at a recent meeting of the Foundation that this Association would contribute \$500.00, and that the Foundation immediately received pledges totaling \$2,000.00 from other organizations following his announcement. He said that the Foundation is ready to accept donations now, and that checks may be mailed to Southwest Animal Health Research Foundation, 426 Rio Grande Building, Dallas, or to the Association office, P. O. Box 1486, San Angelo.

In closing, Mr. Kincaid said that it is not necessary that interested producers wait until they are asked to serve on their county committee, that they may volunteer to do so through their County Agent. He said that in most cases, the services of the County Agents will be utilized as much as possible, and that the county committees will probably be formed through the Agents calling together the producers in their counties to select their own committee members.

Melbern Wins Again!

Colonel V. Z. Cornelius, Vice Chairman, Membership Committee, announced that the

winner of the membership drive which ended September 20, 1961, was R. L. Melbern of Gatesville, and presented him with a gift certificate for a pair of handmade boots redeemable at M. L. Leddy and Sons, San Angelo. Colonel Cornelius spoke of the medallion award program sponsored by the Association, and stated he felt it had done much toward increasing membership in the Association, even though it was initiated primarily for recognition of outstanding 4-H and FFA Club members at the county level. He closed by stating that he hoped the 4-H and FFA Awards Committee would invite the participation of the Membership Committee in setting the program up for the coming year.

President Schreiner announced that the meeting of the American Sheep Producers Council will be October 10-11, followed by an industry-wide meeting at 2:00 P.M. on the afternoon of the 11th. He said that both meetings will be held in Denver, Colorado.

Convention at Fort Worth

He reminded directors and others present of the Association's annual convention to be held in Fort Worth at the Texas Hotel, December 10-13, 1961.

Resolutions

E. S. Mayer, Sr., Acting Chairman, General Resolutions Committee, read the following resolutions and moved their adoption. Motion carried.

1. **SOUTHWEST ANIMAL HEALTH RESEARCH FOUNDATION.** The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association enthusiastically supports the recently organized Southwest Animal Health Research Foundation in its program to eradicate the screw worm fly from Texas and the other Southwestern states.

Losses suffered by the livestock producers of the United States due to infestation of screw worms in their animals approaches 100 million dollars annually.

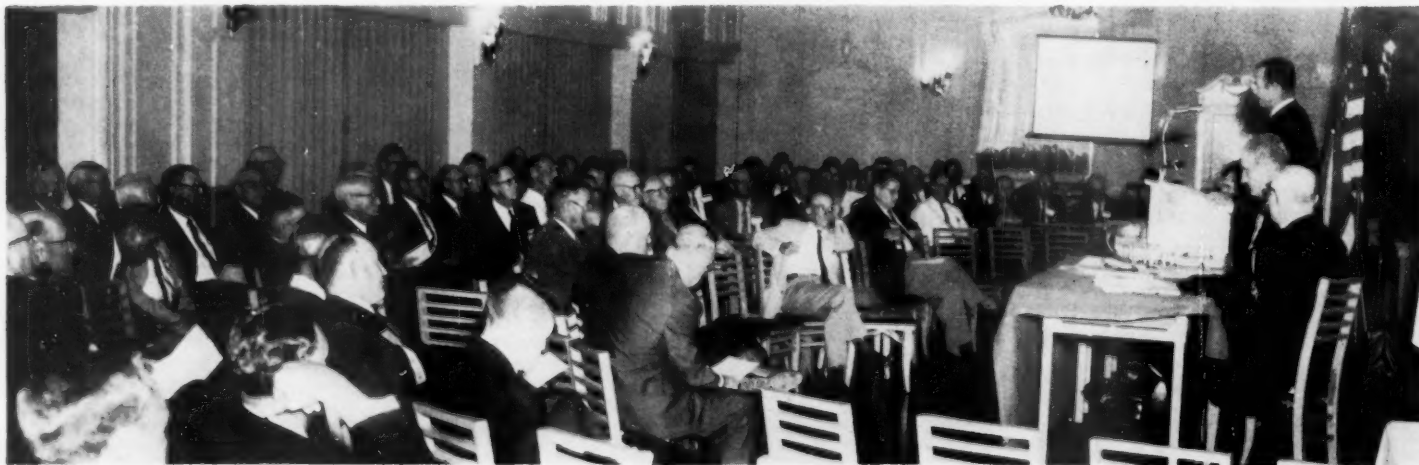
We recommend that members of this Association contribute at least 50c per animal unit to further the work of the Foundation. We direct

SCARED TO DEATH

WE DON'T know that it's true but it is reported that five ladies of the Woman's Auxiliary were involved in a peculiar incident in Abilene during one of the recesses of the Auxiliary meeting. In a hurry to get out to one of Abilene's fashionable shopping centers, five of them rushed out of the hotel in search of a taxi, and seeing an automobile with big numbers on it, they assumed it was their waiting conveyance and swarmed in it with excited demands that the driver get going.

"Where do you want to go," the driver said meekly, and after being told, said "Well, I can take you out there, I guess," and, after a few blocks one of the women observed that it was an unusual taxi without any meter. The man remarked, "I am driving no taxi, ladies. I am Robert Knox, City Health Inspector for Abilene."

It is not reported whether the somewhat embarrassed ranch women passed their health inspection or not. They did get back to the hotel, however.



rect our officers to cooperate fully with the Foundation, and we urge the members of this Association to give all possible financial support to the program of screw worm eradication.

2. IDENTIFICATION OF ANIMALS. The only means by which any single individual animal or group of animals can be positively identified is by permanent brands, tattoos or other marks put on the animal by man. These brands, tattoos and marks are invaluable aids to law enforcement officers and officials in tracing movements of stolen or diseased animals.

The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association supports the continuation of statewide livestock brand inspection and recommends that this service be extended to include sheep and goats, and that an agency be designated to perform this function.

3. HEARINGS CONCERNING ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF THE PACKERS AND STOCKYARDS ACT. The Secretary of Agriculture has announced that seven meat packers, three national food chains, and two lamb dealers have been charged with violation of the Packers and Stockyards Act.

Actions by those named in the complaint "were followed with the purpose or with the effect of manipulating or controlling lamb prices and restricting competition in lamb buying."

If the allegations charged in the complaint are true and are subsequently corrected, the lamb producing industry in the United States will receive great monetary benefits and the industry will be permitted to return to a free and competitive enterprise.

In the course of future investigations, the Packers and Stockyards Division will hold public hearings throughout the lamb producing areas of the nation. We consider it of utmost importance that a competent and qualified attorney representing the National Wool Growers Association and other related organizations be present at all of these hearings for the purpose of coordinating and keeping those engaged in the lamb producing industry properly informed.

We, therefore, urgently request that the officers of the National Wool Growers Association take action immediately to carry out this project.

4. RESEARCH ON PRICING OF WHOLESALE MEATS IN THE SOUTHWEST. The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association enthusiastically supports the project of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association to do research work regarding pricing of wholesale meats in the Southwest.

5. FLOYD McMULLAN. We are saddened by the loss of our long-time friend and fellow director, Floyd McMullan. His faithful service to our industry and dedication to the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association was known and appreciated by all. His ever-ready desire to contribute to the success of the organization will be sorely missed and always remembered.

We express to his wife, Laura, our Ladies Auxiliary President, and to the members of his family our deepest sympathy.

6. PEARL, TEXAS LAMB-O-RAMA. The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association wishes to extend its appreciation to the community of Pearl, Texas, for conducting a Lamb-O-Rama promotion on June 12, 1961.

We feel that this is just a forerunner to many more promotions of this type throughout the State of Texas, and the community of Pearl is to be commended for instigating such a program.

7. APPRECIATION. We extend our thanks to the City of Abilene, its Mayor, the Honorable C. R. Kinard, and the staffs of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce and the Windsor Hotel for their help in assuring the success of this quarterly meeting.

Their hospitality and efforts on our behalf are sincerely appreciated.

Mr. Mayer read the following resolution, and on a motion by E. S. Mayer, Jr., the resolution was adopted:

ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF THE PACKERS AND STOCKYARDS ACT. On September 14, 1961, Secretary of Agriculture Freeman announced that the Packers and Stockyards Division of the Agriculture Marketing Service had filed a complaint with the United States Department of Agriculture against seven meat packers, three chain stores and two lamb dealers for alleged violations of proper lamb marketing procedures.

Charged with (1) failing to conduct their lamb buying operations in competition with and independently of each other and (2) making arrangements or agreements that they would not compete against each other in buying lambs in certain producing areas, were the following packers, chain stores and lamb buyers: James Allen & Son, San Francisco; Armour & Co.; Goldring Packing Co.; John Morrill & Co.; Swift & Co.; Wilson & Co.; American Stores; A. & P. Tea Co.; Safeway Stores; Dwight L. Heath, Lamar, Colo.; and Perry Holley, Ogden, Utah.

The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association heartily endorses this action and wishes to commend Secretary Freeman, the United States Department of Agriculture and the Packers and Stockyards Division for initiating procedures to correct a situation which has been of great concern to our industry. We further urge that these actions be followed through, and corrective measures be employed to completely clean up the irregularities which are so depressing to our lamb market.

G. C. Magruder, Jr., reporting for the Shearing Training Committee, stated that in the spring, 1961, program, 49 heads had been distributed among the participating counties, and that 41 trainees had successfully completed training and entered the shearing profession. He said that in the fall program, two heads had been placed in Crockett County. On motion by E. S. Mayer, it was voted that the program be continued.

Mr. Magruder told of a World Trade Fair to be held in October, 1962, in Australia, and of a proposed tour of Australia and New Zealand. He said that representatives would be present at the annual convention in December to discuss details concerning it.



Ladies Greet the "Misses"

The members of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association were happy and enthusiastic in greeting Miss Wool and Miss Mohair during their quarterly meeting at Abilene. Here some are shown with Carolyn Barre and Carlene Brown in the President's suite of the Windsor Hotel. In the center is Barbara Klindworth of Fashion Creators, Inc., Dallas, which organization has charge of the appearances of the Misses Wool and Mohair.

President Schreiner appointed Kenny McMullan as a director in District 2 to replace his father, Floyd McMullan.

On a motion by Ralph Mayer, the following resolution was adopted:

BWL LABOR TRANSPORTATION. Whereas the Board of Directors, in meeting at Del Rio, Texas, voted to require each user of BWL labor to pay his pro rata share of the transportation cost of \$90.00 for the return of the BWL at the completion of his contract so that the Association would not be burdened with this cost, and whereas the directors agreed that the \$90.00 would be assessed each user of BWL labor, be it now resolved that future users of BWL labor may make payment either in this manner or on a monthly basis by remitting the proper monthly amount at the close of each month, or by authorizing the Association to draw on his bank account for the amount due.

District 2 Meeting

E. S. Mayer, Jr., TS&GRA District 2 Chairman, announced that his district would hold a membership meeting in Sterling City on October 14 to elect directors to serve on the official board of the Association for the coming year. He stated that O. H. Ivie and Ed Reed would be invited to speak on salt water pollution.

Bracero Labor

Miles Pierce, Vice Chairman of the Ranch Labor Subcommittee, announced that he had just received a telephone call from Elmer Kelton, Agriculture Editor of the San Angelo Standard-Times, informing him that extension of Public Law 78 had passed in the Congress. Mr. Pierce said it had been interpreted by the directors that the wording of the law precluded use of Mexican braceros by ranchmen as it now states that braceros can be used only for seasonal work. Mr. Pierce read an Associated Press news release obtained from an Abilene newspaper which quoted that portion of the law, and following a discussion, T. A. Kincaid moved, Victor I. Pierce seconded, and it was voted that Secretary Wallace be instructed to communicate with appropriate officials expressing our extreme displeasure at ranch labor being excluded from PL 78 and requesting that ranch labor from Mexico be made available under Public Law 414.

Suit To Be Given

Regarding a membership contest for the directors during the ensuing quarter, President Schreiner suggested that a wool and/or mohair suit be given to the winner.

Dolph Briscoe, President, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, thanked the directors for their support in the recent hearings concerning brand inspection.

Jimmie Powell moved the adoption of the following resolution. Motion seconded and carried.

STATE SALES TAX. As farm equipment and implements of that trade are exempt from the state sales tax, the Association respectfully requests the State Comptroller to exempt the equipment, implements and medicines of the ranching trade from this tax.

Secretary Wallace announced that membership gate signs were on sale and urged those who had not purchased signs to do so at the close of the meeting. He then showed a brochure from the American Sheep Producers Council regarding signs available from that organization, and pointed out that these six-color signs measuring 4'x8' bearing an advertisement of lamb and a space for the owner's name could be purchased through the ASPC for \$12.50.

District 3 Meeting

Secretary Wallace announced that TS&GRA District 3 would hold its meeting to elect directors to serve on the Association's official board for the coming year at Fort Clark Guest Ranch, Brackettville, on October 7 at 2:00 P.M. He stated that other districts holding meetings for the same purpose and the dates of those meetings were District 6 at Uvalde, date to be announced later; District 7 at Brady on October 19, beginning at 6:30 P.M., with a barbecue; District 2 at Sterling City, beginning at 10:00 A.M. with a barbecue at noon, and District 8 in Boerne on October 11, starting at 12:00 noon with a barbecue. He pointed out that at present Districts 9 and 10 are too large to hold such meetings but urged that Districts 1 and 5 make plans to hold their meetings at an early date. He closed by saying that District 4 had already held its meeting and by commending the directors of District 7 for having instigated district meetings several years ago.

The meeting adjourned.



DIRECTORS

In search of the "extremes" some of the directors at the fall meeting of the Association in Abilene came up with W. W. Haral of Rankin as the "tallest." A Fort Stockton ranchman, Jerry Puckett, claimed honors as the "shortest," while Kenny McMullan, Big Lake, was found to be the "newest" director. Too many directors were in the running for the "homeliest" title for selection to be made in the time available. The title of "Most Handsome" was not awarded because of lack of qualified contestants. So, "Miss Wool" (Carolyn Barre) was agreeable to taking this place.

From . . . The President's Desk

SEVERAL TIMES during the year, I have urged in my reports that District Chairmen plan meetings within their districts for the purpose of selecting directors, and hearing discussion on Association work. I am pleased to report that the following districts have notified the office of planned meetings:

District	Place	Date	Time
2	Sterling City	10-14-61	10:00 A.M.
3	Brackettville	10- 7-61	2:00 P.M.
6	Uvalde	To be announced	
7	San Saba	10-19-61	6:30 P.M.
8	Boerne	10-11-61	12:00 Noon

As requested by the chairmen, the office is sending out notices to the members in their districts of the time and place of their meetings. Also, plans for the two tentative districts in Central and North Central Texas are progressing, and a meeting in the North Central area has been scheduled for Mineral Wells, October 20. As reported earlier, the growers of the deep Central Texas area have already met to discuss the possibilities of a new Association district for their section.

District meetings accomplish a two-fold purpose by encouraging members to elect their own representatives to represent them on the official TS&GRA Board of Directors, and by stimulating discussion of TS&GRA work at the local level—both an invaluable aid in enlisting new members.

We are in the process of purchasing a new headquarters building for the Association, a picture of which may be seen on the cover of the magazine. The building will serve as an office for the staff and provide badly needed conference rooms and facilities for the Ladies' Auxiliary, the Advisory Committee and other committees of the Association. With the continued increase in membership and projects to serve the industry, we are experiencing the corresponding need for additional office and record storage space. The new building will be readily adaptable to this purpose, and will initially only require the installation of a telephone system. When the purchase is completed and the office established, we hope that you will come by and visit your new Association home.

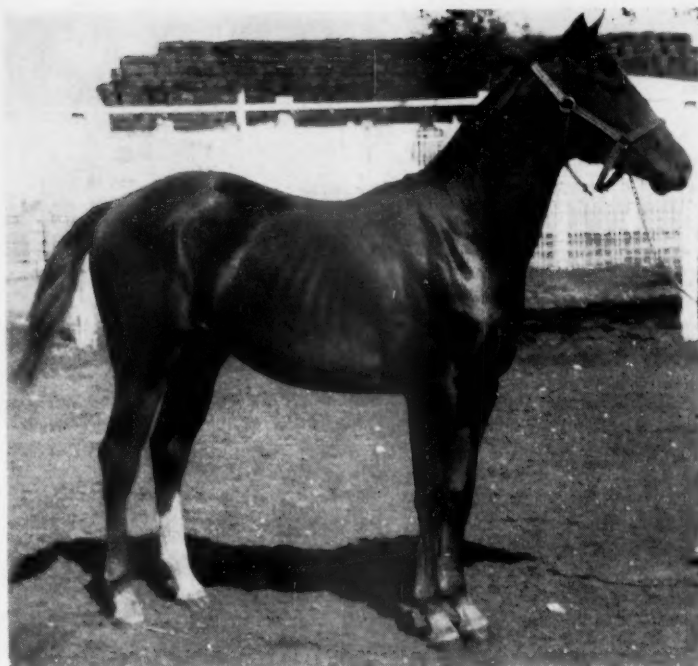
I plan to be in Denver, along with other ASPC directors from Texas, for the meeting of the ASPC board. I feel it is highly important that our state be fully represented at every meeting of the ASPC in order that our views on the operation of the lamb and wool promotion programs may be given.

I wish to thank the directors for their attendance and participation at the Abilene meeting, and urge all members to begin planning to be on hand for their annual convention in Fort Worth, December 10-13. Headquarters will be at the Texas Hotel.

—Charles Schreiner, III, President
Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association

Good Crowd

Sheepmen from all over the Southwest were in attendance at the A. D. Jones Estate's annual Debouillet sale. Facing the camera is Bill Tullos of Texas, who ranches near Arden, west of San Angelo.



They Like Quarter Horses, Too

Although laid up for several days and unable to attend the sale held at his home, Punch Jones nevertheless probably likes his horses better than sheep, even though in bed from a horsekick! Here is shown Running J Bar. This colt was sired by Mr. Bar None out of Jainy Tac, a half-sister to AAA Maroon. Punch is expecting great things out of this yearling colt.

Jones Estate Debouillet Sell Well

THE EIGHTH Annual A. D. Jones Estate Debouillet Sale was held September 7 at the ranch near Tatum, New Mexico.

Texas buyers sparked the sale. M. P. Renfro, Melvin, Texas, many times a top bidder at the Jones sales, took a pen of two stud rams for a bid of \$125 per head. Bill Tullos of San Angelo purchased 185 older ewes at prices ranging from \$9.25 to \$11.75 per head.

Mrs. K. A. Yoder of Roswell, New

Mexico, paid \$117.50 per head for a pen of five yearling rams. The Future Farmres of America of Las Cruces, New Mexico, paid the top price for ewes, \$17.75 per head for a pen of 50.

R. L. Bledsoe of Rogers, New Mexico, paid \$17.50 each for a pen of 25 ewes. Mrs. Jessie W. Stevens of Roswell was a major buyer of both rams and ewes. She bought a pen of five rams for \$60.00 per head and another pen of five for \$57.00 each. Mr. Stevens paid \$17.50 each for a pen of 75 ewes and \$17.25 per head for a pen of 25. Sonny Runyon of Hope bought a pen of 25 ewes for \$11.75 per head.

The rams averaged \$41.00 per head; yearling ewes averaged \$17.25; and older ewes brought an average of \$10.25 per head.

Other New Mexico buyers included: Pete Louissena, Caprock; Ruby Remmele, Roswell; Armon Austin, Estancia; Ralph Vandewart, Artesia; L. Pacheco, Tinnie; W. R. McKnight, Roswell; George Teal, Hope; Buddy Medlin, Tatum; John Ward, Hope; Jim Davidson, Carlsbad; Bud Eppers, Roswell; Glasscock Ranch, Hope; Bevo Johnson, Santa Rosa; Hugh Graham and Sons, Caprock; and R. E. Fresquez, Roswell.

Additional Texas buyers included: J. U. Fields, San Angelo; Emory Ralls, Walnut Springs; Lucian Love, Coleman; Tom Bowman, Ballinger; Bert Dennis, Gail; Thurman Head, Goldthwaite; and John Dennis, Gail.

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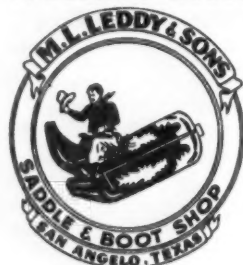
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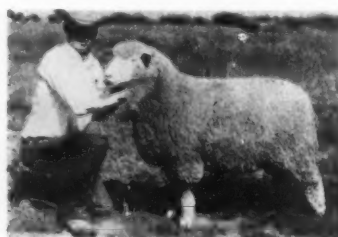
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From Your Association Office

(Continued from page 3)

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"Until the judicial officer makes this decision, the Packers and Stockyards Division by policy does not (except in the proceeding) comment or elaborate on charges made in its complaints nor discuss the evidence on which they are based.

"Copies of the complaint issued today, P. & S. Docket 2612, may be obtained from the Packers and Stockyards Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C."

TS&GRA directors in Abilene resolved that the National Wool Growers Association be requested to employ a qualified lawyer to attend the hearings on this complaint and scheduled to get underway in the near future. It was the thinking of the directors that the lawyer should provide the sheep associations and allied organizations a factual evaluation of the full testimony presented. It is not our intention to make statements concerning specific allegations and charges outlined in the complaint until the results of the hearings are made available and the violations, if present, of the parties involved ascertained.

Extension of Public Law 78

The directors' attention was called to the passage of the bill to extend Public Law 78 during the quarterly meeting in Abilene. According to reports, the newly extended Mexican bracero law (PL 78) may hit Texas bracero users hard. The following provisions will tighten the program under the extension which will carry it to December 31, 1963:

1. A ban on the imported workers unless reasonable efforts have been made to attract U. S. domestic employees at working conditions comparable to those for Mexicans.
 2. A requirement that the Mexicans be used only for temporary or seasonal employment.
 3. A provision that the imported workers cannot be used to operate "power-driven, self-propelled harvest, planting or cultivating machinery."
- The law was originally passed in 1961, and until last year provided a badly needed source of labor for our ranchmen. In restrictions published in July of 1960, the ranchmen were virtually eliminated from the program with the discontinuance of the special ranch hand provision.

According to several officials familiar with the administration of the law, "the requirement that Mexican

Nationals be used only for temporary or seasonal employment would cut out bracero ranch labor entirely." As is known, there is little or no temporary or seasonal work involved in the ranching business. Farmers will also suffer from the restrictive provisions now contained in the legislation.

TS&GRA directors voiced disgust with the bill, and have requested that Association officials again seek the transfer of the ranch labor program from PL 78, administered by the U. S. Department of Labor, to PL 414, which comes under the jurisdiction of Immigration Service. PL 414 is the law whereby BWI workers are admitted to work on our ranches, and we feel that a workable bracero program could be achieved under this jurisdiction.

Purchase of Association Home

(See Front Cover)

As a result of the unanimous approval presented by directors in Abilene, the executive officers are continuing with the purchase of the late Mrs. Loraine B. Leftwich home, located at 233 West Twohig, San Angelo.

Officers had negotiated an option to buy, based on a \$26,500.00 purchase price, in early September after being advised by the past presidents that such apurchase would be in the best interests of the Association. The building is of sound adobe construction with a protective cement surface, Spanish architectural design, and readily adaptable to use as an office for the Association.

According to a builder's report, it

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is estimated that from \$60,000.00 to \$80,000.00 would be required to reconstruct the present building at a comparable location. 233 West Twohig is only one block from the downtown area, and is in a neighborhood that will add to the dignity of the Association and its headquarters.

A special permit is required for the location of an Association office in this residential area. The Planning Commission of the City of San Angelo has approved this permit and final approval will be sought from the City Commission, October 10. All property owners within a 200-foot radius of the building have expressed approval, and no opposition is anticipated. Since the Association headquarters adds to the importance of San Angelo as a wool marketing center, TS&GRA officers are expecting the enthusiastic support of the San Angelo city officials in endorsing this purchase.

Upon approval by the City Commission, the purchase will be made from the A. L. Turner Company, which was designated to be the exclusive agent for the estate. Due to the condition and design of the building, the initial requirement for setting up the office will be the installation of a telephone system.

All directors, members and friends of the Association will be urged to visit after the office is established . . . and by the way, a pot of coffee will be available during office hours for those dropping by.

Laramie Conference

The second annual National Lamb and Wool Industry Conference was held in Laramie, Wyoming, August 7-8. The theme and purpose of the Conference was to discuss income improvement for the sheep grower.

T. A. Kincaid, Jr., of Ozona, led the discussions on the subject, "How

Help Needed From More Texas Growers

EDITORIAL

TEXANS SHOULD note the efforts of South African wool growers to promote wool. In the first place, the contribution of the South African to promotion efforts is voluntary and enthusiastic. The individual contribution is substantial, definitely so when compared to that which Texas sheepmen pay to promote their industry.

The levy paid by individual wool growers in South Africa will be increased progressively by one percent per pound of wool in the next few years, according to the Wool Bureau in New York. This does not include the four percent per pound of wool already being collected for the wool stabilization fund. The additional levy will be used for promotion efforts throughout the world and research and market development.

The most rewarding promotion that the Texas wool grower can do in behalf of his industry is to support

through membership the activities of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association. It is through this organization that successful work has been accomplished in securing and maintaining the incentive payment program beneficial to all sheepmen in this country. A part of the program comprehends the advertising and promotion of both lamb and wool.

Yet, Texas growers numbering approximately 21,000 are far from being unanimous in their support of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association. More members are needed to do the job better. The 5,600 members should not, in all fairness, be asked to bear the financial and work burden for all the growers.

The South Africans were unanimous in their objective to promote wool.

Would that Texas growers could be unanimous in their support of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association which works on all phases of industry problems.

OUT OUR WAY

BY J. R. WILLIAMS



Can Domestic Wool Meet Competition," and reported that following the Conference some very interesting discussions were held during the course of the meeting.

In order to provide a follow-up and review on the Conference, National Wool Growers Association President Penrose B. Metcalfe of San Angelo has called a meeting in Denver, October 11 at 2:00 P.M. Also, the American Sheep Producers Council will be meeting in Denver during that week, and the TS&GRA will be represented at both meetings.

The NWGA has been in contact with the U. S. Department of Agriculture regarding the determination of the incentive level to be fixed for the 1962 marketing year. Metcalfe was in Washington on the matter to confer with the Secretary of Agriculture and submitted the request that a modest increase in the incentive would be justifiable in view of the current depressed conditions in the sheep industry, particularly among lamb producers.

Core Testing

The subject of coring of grease wool received careful attention from the Wool and Mohair Committee at the spring quarterly meeting of the Association in Mineral Wells. The following resolution was adopted by the directors at that time:

"Coring of Grease Wool — Grease wool in Texas and the United States is sold on a clean basis, either by estimated shrink or yield, scouring or coring. The two companies now performing public coring are not subject to inspection under present laws. We believe that they should be licensed or bonded and inspected by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

"Therefore, be it resolved by the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association that Congress be requested to pass regulatory measures to provide adequate control over these public services, and that the support of the National Wool Growers Association be solicited in this legislative effort."

As a result of this resolution, Congressman O. C. Fisher introduced in Congress a bill to permit the Secretary of Agriculture to regulate core sampling and testing of wool. The bill, HR 9049, would impose a penalty of \$1,000.00 or a year's imprisonment, or both, for persons who violate the regulations the Secretary would be authorized to issue.

The bill was referred to the House Agriculture Committee but time ran out in this session, and we are advised it will be placed on the agenda for committee consideration at the beginning of the next session in January, 1962. Wool and Mohair Committee Chairman Fred T. Earwood and TS&GRA officers will discuss this matter with Congressman Fisher upon his return this fall from Washington in an effort to further carry out the directions of the TS&GRA board on this problem.

MISS WOOL IN NEW MEXICO

MISS WOOL of America (Miss Gayle Hudgens), 20-year-old brunette from Hobbs, New Mexico, visited the wool show at the New Mexico State Fair, as part of a nation-wide tour to promote the wool industry. She is scheduled to appear in Washington, D. C., Boston, Philadelphia, Detroit, Chicago, St. Louis and other major cities.

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Calendar

- Oct. 3-7—Heart O' Texas Fair, Waco.
- Oct. 6—Texas Red Angus Association First Annual Sale, Fairgrounds, Heart O' Texas Fair, Waco.
- Oct. 7-22—State Fair of Texas, Fairgrounds, Dallas. (Pan-American Livestock Exposition, Oct. 7-15; Junior Livestock Show, Oct. 16-20)
- Oct. 7—10th Annual Targhee Sheep Sale, Billings, Montana.
- Oct. 7—West Texas Quarter Horse Association Sale, San Angelo.
- Oct. 9-10—American Sheep Producers Council Board Meeting, Denver, Colorado.
- Oct. 13-21—American Royal Livestock Show, Kansas City, Missouri.
- Oct. 17—62nd Annual Meeting American Angora Goat Breeders Association, Edwards County Park, 10:00 A.M., Rocksprings.
- Nov. 11—West Texas Quarter Horse Association Sale, San Angelo.
- Nov. 12—6th Annual Championship Steer Roping and Branding Event, San Angelo.
- Nov. 25—State Finals — New Mexico Make It Yourself With Wool Contest, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque.
- Dec. 1—Capitol Area Hereford Association's 11th Annual Sale, Austin.
- Dec. 10-13—Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association Convention, Hotel Texas, Fort Worth.

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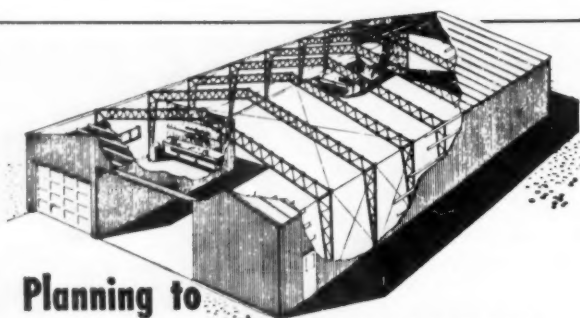
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The Shepherd's Dog

By C. W. G. HARTLEY
Author "The Shepherd's Dogs"
(Special to this Magazine)

Check-Cord Instruction

FOR THIS type of specialized training, the first essential requirement is a suitable locality.

There should be no distractions, either in sound or sight, to break your concentration nor take the attention of your pupil.

Dogs vary greatly in their attitude towards this tuition. Some will respond so quickly that one is tempted too soon to try the new command as he works sheep, only to find that the pupil does not understand.

Others will resist until they find that there is no alternative. This is where the value of the check-cord is most noticeable. The dog discovers for himself without assistance that he is completely in the hands of the trainer.

We must aim at making such an impression on the brain of the pupil that the command and necessary movement are associated correctly. Fear is not of assistance, because it would immediately lose its force when the dog was free. Always endeavor to try subtle methods of testing in order to discover if your pupil understands.

I have had many amusing misunderstandings with young dogs where association of ideas became mixed. Once, when teaching a young heading dog the guided outrun I also was training a huntaway dog.

As daily practice, I would hunt six sheep to a fence line at the top of the hill with the huntaway, then keep him standing facing his sheep until I had sent the heading dog off to bring the sheep back. One morning the huntaway attempted to hunt these sheep into the fence, ignoring my commands to "stand."

I fired a shot from a starting pistol which arrested his attention smartly and immediately sent my heading dog off to bring the sheep. However, the following day I had occasion to use the pistol again. Much to my surprise, my heading dog took this as his cue and bounded away for the sheep at full speed without a moment's delay.

On another occasion I was training a young huntaway to move to the right and left at command.

It had been my practice to stop him first then give the left or right whistle. All appeared to be going according to plan for a few practices, when I suddenly discovered he did not know left from right at all.

All that he really knew was that the stopping whistle meant that a change in direction was about to follow.

I only discovered this when I gave him two right hand whistles at intervals. He moved to the right at the first and to the left at the second.

This required a return to the check-cord and more care on my part when exercising him on sheep again.

The young dog that begins to an-

ticipate command does not receive the full impact of the essential impression. To be of permanent value, the command must carry with it the power to compel obedience, irrespective of the desires of the dog. The dog must respond promptly in a mechanical way on the check-cord. It is then associated with practical work on sheep. If training has been given thoroughly it is not difficult to apply in practical work, because it is employed in relation to the movements of the sheep. When instructing the dog on the check-cord it is always advisable to introduce your lesson patiently and quietly. Fear could defeat your efforts. Once the dog understands what response is required of him, you may then gradually insist on implicit obedience.

Do not be satisfied if he stands gazing at the scenery in a bored fashion and responds in a casual way when ordered to move. Make him pay attention and hold himself in readiness to act on your orders promptly. Unless the dog is "word perfect" on the check-cord there is little likelihood of his response when loose. The moment he is free there are so many distractions that you are unlikely to exert the same control. You must rely on your fore-training. So, demand his whole attention to your lessons and insist on instant obedience before trying to put your tuition to the practical test. It is better to spend a little extra time on lessons rather than find that your dog ignores you in his haste and excitement to get to the sheep. If you find that you have failed to impress him sufficiently to make the lesson "stick," do not persist long, but return the dog to the check-cord again and bring more pressure to bear in demanding instantaneous response. To persist with an unruly, disobedient dog merely teaches him that he may ignore you if he wishes. He then becomes more and more difficult to control. Shepherds say "he has found out the answer" to your tactics. This must be avoided.

An effective punishment for the dog that ignores commands once he is working at considerable distance is a shaking by one of his teammates. This "shaking dog" is sent off to catch up with the offender and give him a good shaking. After a few such visits, the offender will behave himself the moment he hears the threat "here shake him."

However, for my part, I have only had one dog that could do this.

I depend on making clear impressions that bring response, then exercise continuing vigilance to insure that it is maintained. I watch all work with a critical eye, because a certain carelessness will today certainly be more pronounced tomorrow if left unchecked. I guide my dogs towards the good habits and circumvent the bad.

Just before an attempt is to be

made to apply a new command it is advisable to "drill" the pupil with a view to bringing him under your control and make him more submissive to you. Make him come to heel and stand, first on your right, then the left, walk a few paces and stand, then return to heel. When you can see that he is subdued and properly under control, you are then ready to expect response to the new command you taught him. Do not let him work too far distant at first and let him drag the check-cord. It has a moral effect.

The act of improving a young dog's work through lessons on the check-cord depends for its success upon compulsion. The command is associated with compulsory response. It is clearly understood and will result in harmony between the dog and his handler when correctly applied.

I used to be quite satisfied to develop the response without any set lessons. In New Zealand we call this "drifting them into it." This proved satisfactory when working at home, but under the watchful eye of the Trial Judge it was not infallible.

Some years ago when competing at the New Zealand Championships, I realized the disadvantage of voluntary response.

My dog, ordinarily, was a determined runner, used to hill country. However, the Championship course was terrifically steep. A severe testing run that only a very fit dog would be likely to keep out wide as he climbed. In the ordinary way I could bring my dog out wider by giving a long drawn-out running whistle as required. This day, however, the response was there on two occasions, but on the third call to come out my dog just could not bring itself to respond. Consequently, I had to lose two points to stop and recast the dog, on the desired line.

I resolved then to train my next heading dog to recast compulsorily on the run. The purchase price of this next dog was equivalent to about five

dollars in U. S. currency. I trained this one to do everything to the whistle, a total of seven whistles. These were stop, run, recast, walk, move to the right (pulling), move to the left, and the call whistle. In its second season at Trials it was sold to a judge for 100 dollars (U. S.).

I had several wins before the sale, including a second place to an imported dog which cost its owner the equivalent to 500 dollars. I was proud of my five-dollar animal that day.

There is latent ability in most dogs. What we need is understanding, to develop the good and discard the bad without loss of confidence and enthusiasm.

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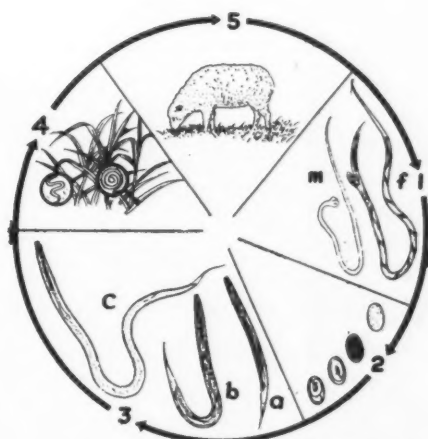
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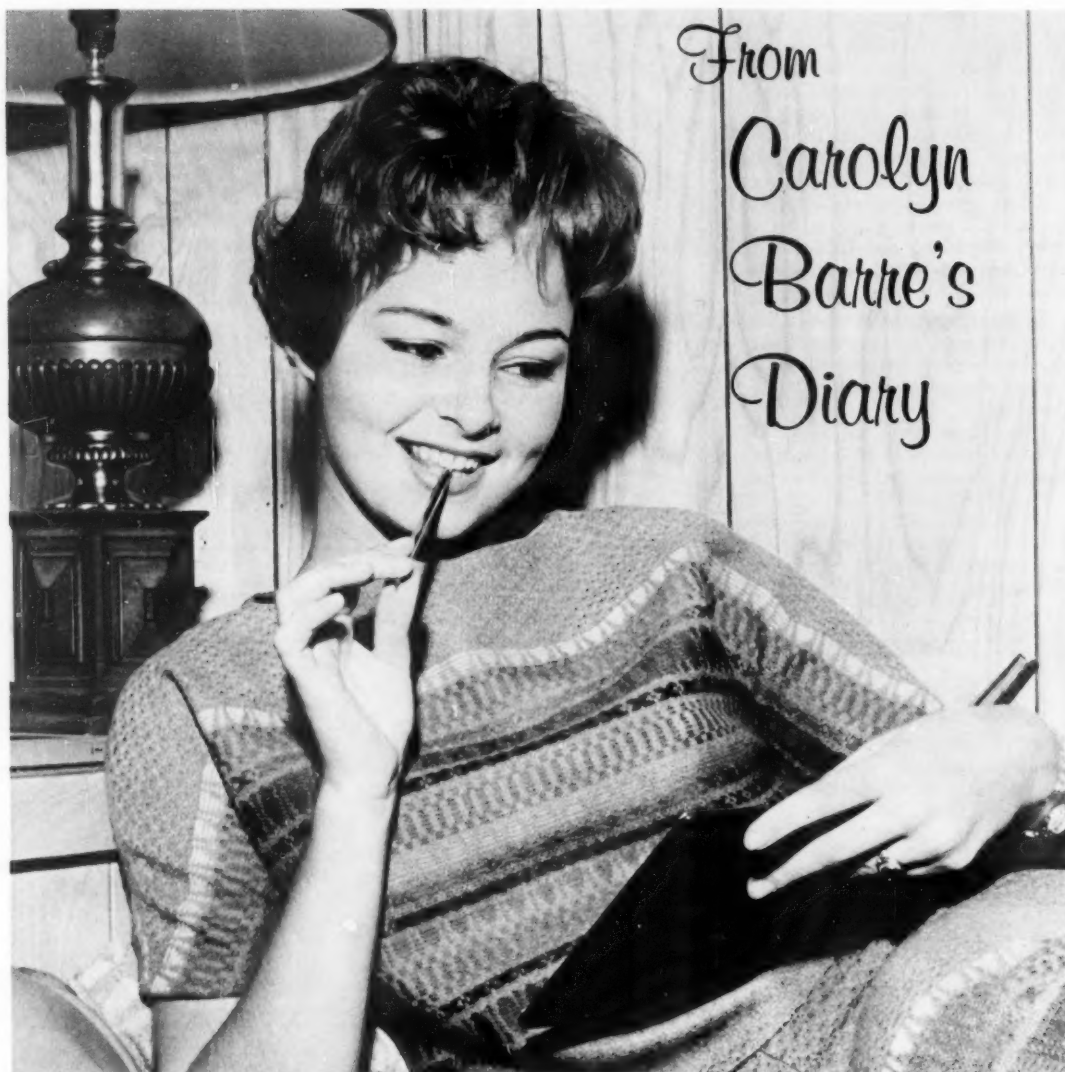
AVERAGE OF \$97.04 FOR REAL COUNTY GOAT SALE

MRS. DOUGLAS THRASHER of Utopia paid the top price for an Angora buck of Claude Haby, Leakey, breeding at the Real County Angora Goat Breeders Sale on September 2. She paid \$420 for the buck at the event, which was held in Leakey.

According to Pete Gulley of Uvalde, secretary of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association, the \$97.04 average paid for twenty-two does was the best this season. The does brought a total of \$2,135. The ninety-nine bucks sold for an average of \$72.72 and brought a total of \$7,200.

The top-selling doe was purchased for \$180 by Roy Capps of Mason. Authur Davis of Sabinal was the breeder.

Roy Capps was the top buyer of the sale. He paid a total of \$1,695, and his purchases included twelve does for \$1,000. Other high buyers included Jack Harrell of Sanderson, \$1,345; Merlin Davis of Rocksprings, \$780; Dunlap and Mazurek of Utopia, \$620; and Frank Powers of Leakey, \$470.



From Carolyn Barre's Diary

July 11—OZONA—Today I was fitted for my new wool wardrobe, had pictures taken and went for a drive in my new car. I went home with Mrs. Baggett and her daughter Sally to Ozona for the Homecoming parade and rodeo appearances.

July 12—Sally showed me around Ozona. She even let me ride a Shetland pony, but my legs were too long and his were too short; I could lock mine under his stomach. Both of us were uncomfortable, so I didn't ride long.

July 13 — The parade was this morning. It was short, but very nice. Ozona Homecoming Committee gave me a dozen beautiful carnations for the parade. After the parade everyone went to the park and ate barbecue mutton and goat. After the rodeo that night, I went to my very first cowboy stomp and I don't believe I've ever had more fun. I think I danced with every cowboy there and I believe everyone there stepped on my toes, but if I had the chance I'd do it all over again!

July 14—I had a date with a real cowboy today. He was bow-legged, sun-tanned, skinny, talked with a drawl and played a guitar. He brought his guitar with him (I found out later that it goes everywhere he goes) and we played and sang all night until the dance started.

July 15 — FORT STOCKTON — Nickie Kincaid and I rode a float to-

gether in Fort Stockton during the Water Carnival. The night started out good. The setting was Oriental and the lights were beautiful. I was to have crowned Miss Southwest Texas and the Lions Club President was my escort. As soon as we were seated it began to thunder and before the Carnival really got started a wind blew up and the pink Mink tree behind me fell on top of me. Before the men could get it off, it began raining, so everyone ran for the cars. Later, when it stopped raining, we all went to another stomp. The more I go to them, the better I like them and the more my feet hurt.

July 16—Went home to Yoakum.

July 17 — DENTON — I left for Denton at 5:30 this morning. I'd never driven in a big town before and had a little trouble getting used to it. Driving through Fort Worth I ran one man off the road three times. He was rather upset and finally dropped behind me. After I got to TWU, Dean Emmerson took me right through registration and helped me get a good room in Stoddard Hall. I met Dr. Guinn and part of the faculty.

July 18—I attended Pola Stout's workshop here at TWU and fell in love with her and her woolen fabrics. We talked about colors and designs and she explained different weaves to me. Mae Landtrip from the Wool Council was also there and she took me with her to make a wool call in

Denton. I had dinner with the Dallas Fashion Group who came to hear Mrs. Stout and after that I modeled part of my wardrobe for them.

July 20 — DALLAS — Carlene Brown (Miss Mohair) and I spoke before 4,000 FFA boys today in Dallas at the Statler-Hilton Hotel, and if they hadn't all been younger than us, we would have been scared to death of them. Carlene and I needed to leave because we had to go to a luncheon, so instead of walking through all of the boys we went out the nearest exit door, which locked behind us. We then found ourselves three stories up on the fire escape with people on the street looking up at us and waving. We walked down one flight, but it was rather hard because our heels kept falling in the holes in the steps and the wind nearly blew our hats off. The steps stopped on the second story, so we had to crawl in a restaurant window filled with eating people. The people in there just couldn't imagine where we had come from and we sure didn't tell them. While crossing the street to the Chaparral Club for lunch, the wind blew Carlene's only hat away and lost it for her somewhere in Dallas.

July 22—George Dawson took pictures of me today and I really felt like a movie star under all of those bright lights. I went to Neiman-Marcus to be fitted for their first college show. They looked me over and I felt like I was

Ed's Note—This intensely interesting account of the travels and troubles of Miss Wool of Texas is presented for your entertainment. But even more, it is valuable to reveal to the industry the work of the Miss Wool program in advertising and promoting wool. Note particularly the number of personal appearances the lovely ladies of the wool and mohair industry have made in this short span of time. And this is only the appearances in Texas. The National Miss Wool is similarly occupied all over the United States and the Miss Wools of other states are doing their share of promotion, too.

Indeed, the coming and going of Carolyn Barre of Texas and the others are of significant importance to the wool industry—one of the great steps forward in the industry of this century.

Read here about the "Sway back, hump shouldered, bowlegged" little girl whose "arms look like windmills" and thank your stars for Mrs. Della Whitehead of Del Rio and others who persevered in getting the Miss Wool program on the road. Determine, too, to help the most wonderful program of promotion the wool industry has seen.

an attraction at a zoo. They told me my hair needed cutting and my chest needed flattening—they gradually did both. I got my personal stationery today and I sure am proud of it.

July 22-25—School — more workshops on clothing and textiles.

July 25—Mr. Johnson at Neiman's cut my hair half way off today for the college show. I think he was scared to cut off any more because I had such a spell. It was so much fun meeting the College Board and wearing all of the beautiful clothes.

July 25-28 — School — Home to Yoakum.

July 31—ABILENE — Kim Dawson* and I left for Abilene at 6:00 this morning. We practiced for the college show, which Kim commented, and then Margaret Dunlevy, Miss Wool of Abilene, and I checked in a hotel and ate a meal, only to find out later that we were in the wrong hotel. We had to go back, explain to the receptionist, pay for the meal, and check out so we could check in the other hotel. They gave me the presidential suite in the Windsor Hotel and I felt just like a queen. We had two bedrooms, a huge living room, a kitchen, three baths, two dressing rooms, and three phones. Some girl friends from Texas Tech who lived in Abilene came up to the room and we had a bridge and coke party.

Aug. 1—We had both shows today—one at 11:00 A.M. and the other at 8:00 P.M. Since A. & M. and TWU are brother and sister schools, an Aggie escorted me in the show.

*Kim Dawson is in charge of Miss Wool of Texas through the Fashion Creators, Inc., organization of Dallas. The work of Kim and her associates is skillful and untiring.

After the morning show, Margaret and I modeled informally in Minter's store all day.

Aug. 2—The Modeling Club of Abilene had a breakfast for us this morning at 7:00 o'clock. After that, I had to leave that beautiful suite and go to Denton.

Aug. 3—DENTON — I was back at school today and went to a style show workshop headed by Dr. Castor. She taught us how to sit, climb steps, walk, and stand.

Aug. 8—FORT WORTH—Today Barbara Klindworth, my chaperone, and I went to Fort Worth for a TV interview on WBAP-TV. Miss Bobbie Wygant interviewed me. In the afternoon I was fitted at Neiman's for the second college show and I got my hair cut the rest of the way off.

Aug. 9—BEAUMONT — Barbara and I drove to Beaumont and stayed in the Beaumont Hotel. The rooms were so nice and the beds felt so good because we were both so tired. When we both get tired, we have to remind each other to take our iron pills for our tired blood.

Aug. 10—Betty Albin, Miss Wool of Beaumont, and I modeled informally all day at The White House. I was in a Mademoiselle fashion show at the Harvest Club tonight. The show was commented by Edith Lawss, who was from Mademoiselle Magazine in New York. After the show, we jumped in the car and drove all night so we would be in Fort Worth for the show for Stripling's the next morning.

Aug. 11—FORT WORTH — The Back to School Show for Stripling's was held in the new ballroom in the Texas Hotel. Peggy Hunt Matthew, the commentator of the show, is the editor from Mademoiselle Magazine. Parts of the show were filmed and shown on the 10:00 P.M. news on WBAP-TV. After the show, I went back to the store and modeled informally the rest of the day.

Aug. 12 — DALLAS — We rehearsed tonight for the second Neiman-Marcus college show. We had a real good time because the clothes were beautiful and the sandwiches served for us from Helen Corbitt's kitchen were delicious. Tonight, I was told I'm sway back, hump shouldered, bowlegged and that my arms look like windmills. I've been practicing walking for Barbara.

Aug. 14—Another college show rehearsal at Neiman's and more of those good sandwiches. After taking two of the college board girls home, I had a wreck in my car. I was turning a corner and hit a speeding policeman. We had about 10 policemen around us to check my driver's license and to check the damage on the cars. There was only \$3 to mine and \$20 to his. Neither of us got a ticket and I think the young policeman felt rather bad about hitting me because he asked to take me out for coffee, but I was upset with him right then for hitting my new car, so I didn't go.

Aug. 15—The college show, part II, went off real well with Warren Leslie as commentator. After the show, Barbara and I left for Amarillo.

Aug. 16—AMARILLO—I modeled all day at White & Kirk. Barbara and I had a beautiful room in the Crossroads Motel and there was a beautiful pool but we didn't get to use it.

Aug. 17—I was on Ruth Brent's TV show on station KGNC. Before the show, I got to meet "Cotton Joe," a man I'd always heard about but had never met. After the show, I went back to the store to model. A man took a film of me modeling in the store which was used later on the 6:00 P.M. news on KGNC-TV. We left for Wichita Falls.

Aug. 18—We stayed in the Holiday Inn, which was beautiful. Every place we have been has been just as beautiful as the one before. This time, we got to use the pool. I modeled informally in McClurkin's downtown store. That afternoon, I spoke to the FHA girls who were there for their district meeting, and modeled for them. Later the girls came to the store and cokes were served to them. I was interviewed for the paper and more pictures were taken. Mr. Brown, the Radio Farm Editor, interviewed me and took a tape of it which was to be played on KSYD radio the next morning at 5:45 for five minutes and at 6:15 for four minutes.

Aug. 19—I modeled informally today in the McClurkin's suburban store. We served cokes and I modeled beautiful wool clothes. We left for Dallas.

Aug. 20 — DALLAS — Market in Dallas. I modeled tonight in the Baker Hotel for the market group.

Aug. 21-22—I modeled in the National Fashion Exhibitors fashion show at the Merchandise Mart at 7:30 A.M. I was featured and my picture was on the front page of the program.

Aug. 23 — Went back to school, packed my clothes and told everyone goodbye.

BRAND RECORDING NOW LAW

JUST BEFORE adjourning this summer, the Texas Legislature passed a new law requiring slaughter houses and locker plants to record the brands and other markings of any animals they slaughter.

According to the director of the Texas Animal Health Commission, Dr. R. G. Garrett, the new law will aid in tracing animals in case of theft or disease outbreak.

JONES ESTATE WINS WOOL SHOW

THE A. D. JONES Estate, Roswell, showed the champion fleece at the Wool Show of the 1961 New Mexico State Fair.

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EACH INDIVIDUAL breeder must assume the responsibility for the care he gives the flock during the breeding season, and for what he plans to accomplish in breed improvement. We all know the ram is half the flock, still the fact remains that the breeding ewes in the flock are the other half.

Some breeders believe the greatest improvement in the flock can come through the sire rightly selected for both individuality and ancestry. Other breeders prefer to give more attention to the breeding ewes. However, best results are generally obtained when one factor is blended successfully with the other.

Some flock owners are contented to just let nature take its course, turning in the first ram they can secure at a low or modest price with the ewe flock, and are satisfied to produce a mediocre lamb crop.

It would be too much to expect all breeders to make the same progress in breed improvement, but all could make the same diligent effort. Breed improvement begins at home and it continues to be an individual matter. Be a builder of your breed, and you will help yourself as well as the sheep industry as a whole.

Time to Breed

In Texas and the Southwest, a good many flock owners who produce fall lambs turn the rams with the ewes around June 1 or shortly thereafter. This, of course, primarily includes the range flocks that are predominantly fine wool bloodlines — Rambouillet and Delaine. This allows the lamb crop to be marketed early, some in time for the Easter market, which is usually higher than later in the season.

Medium wool and many of the so-called mutton breeds have different breeding characteristics than the fine wool breeds, for most of them do not breed until early fall. The Dorset breed is one exception, for Dorset ewes are noted for their ability to produce either fall or spring lambs. To me, this has always seemed a distinct advantage to any breed.

If medium wool breeders wish to market their mutton-type lambs before the hot summer sets in, the ewes should be turned with the rams in early September or October. A certain percentage of medium wool ewes may breed in August under proper breeding conditions.

If green feed is available and the ewes are sheared again before turning with the rams, some early show lambs may result. Generally speaking, January and February lambs often make the best show lambs because they have more size and age than lambs dropped later in the year. Late-born lambs are usually at a disadvantage when showing against older ones, for they lack in size and ability to do as well under existing conditions they encounter on the fair circuit. Hot weather, trucking from one show to another, all take their toll on late-born lambs.

The Period of Gestation For Ewes

Medium wool ewes of the mutton-type breeds start coming into the heat period with the first cool nights in the fall. The period of gestation for ewes, generally speaking, ranges from 145 to 152 days, or approximately

MANAGEMENT OF THE FARM FLOCK

By JOE H. DIXON



**THE RAMBOUILLET
VINTAGE 1918**

So much attention and comment arose from the comparison photographs used to illustrate Joe Dixon's article in last month's issue that the accompanying photograph may prove interesting also.

The photographs in last month's issue of multi-folds on fine wool sheep were not extreme by any means. However, the picture here of a top Rambouillet of 1918 could be called "extreme."

Anyhow, skin folds on a fine wool sheep are no longer considered desirable and magnificent progress has been made to eliminate them.

five months. Perhaps there are more ewes that lamb in 147 days than before or after that period of time. At least, that seems to be the consensus of opinion as to the actual amount of days it takes ewes to lamb.

A good plan used by a lot of flock owners is to make a note on your calendar when you turned the ram with the ewes. Then over a period of from 145 to 147 days you can look for your ewes to start lambing. For example, if your ram is turned with the flock on let's say September 1, your lambs should start arriving about five months later or around February 1.

Several purebred breeders mark their rams by smearing a mixture of lubricating oil and lamp black or Venetian red between the forelegs each day to afford them a check on the ewes that are bred. The color may be changed at the end of 16 days in order to check the ewes that come in heat again and are rebred. This allows the flock owner to obtain the date that the first ewes are bred. It also affords an opportunity to detect a non-breeding ram before it is too late in the season.

Ewes remain in heat from one to three days and if not settled the first time bred usually come back in heat from 13 to 19 days, the average time usually being about 16 days.

If the above method of keeping a record on when your ewes are used for pasture breeding it is easy to note whether or not the ewes are breeding close together.

Some breeders of registered sheep who use more than one stud ram on their flock prefer to hand breed in the sheep lots in the late evening. This method takes extra time but enables the breeder to keep exact breeding dates on their most valuable breeding ewes. This method of mating also allows the rams to be barn-fed and rested during the day, causing them to be somewhat more active. Under this system, rams can sometimes be used on a greater number of ewes.

Thrifty Condition Important To Breeding Flock

Steps should be taken to insure that your ewe flock is in good condition before they are bred, and try to keep it that way until they start lambing. Ewes that milk well and can give proper nourishment to their lambs have a big advantage over thin, poorly conditioned ewes.

If a parasite control program has not been practiced, or if the breeding flock shows signs of stomach worm infestation, the ewes should be drenched before breeding time.

Should lice or ticks be found on

the ewes that cause them to rub continuously, then they should be dipped before cold weather. Of course the proper and probably the best time to dip is shortly after the flock is sheared in the spring, but should these parasites appear again before the fall breeding season opens it would be wise to dip again.

A short time before the breeding season begins is a good time to trim the ewes' feet so they will not have to be handled for the purpose during pregnancy. The feet trim much more easily shortly after a good rain. It is my opinion that keeping the feet trimmed properly will help to prevent foot rot during bad, wet weather, and at the same time allows the flock to travel in the fields and pastures with less difficulty. Sheep that run in rough, rocky pastures should need little or no foot trimming, for the constant wear traveling over rocks and stones keeps their hoofs well trimmed.

Flushing Before Mating

The practice of preparing ewes for mating is often called flushing. It is thought by many breeders that flushing helps to bring the ewes into heat so that they may be all bred in a short period of time. This could mean more uniformity in size and age of the lamb crop when preparing them for market.

Flushing the breeding flock may be accomplished by placing the ewes on good, green feed that might consist of alfalfa, clover, sweet sudan or rape for a period of 10 days or two weeks prior to turning with the ram.

If green feed or pasture is not available at the time, the ewes may be fed a supplement feed of one-half to three-fourths pound of grain per head daily. Whole oats mixed with a small portion of wheat bran should provide an excellent ration for this purpose.

There may be some difference of opinion among breeders as to the actual benefits derived from flushing. Some contend that ewes will have more twins and lamb closer together, while others feel that yearlings and younger ewes do not respond as well to flushing as the older ewes.

Conditioning the Ram

The ram should be in excellent condition for the breeding season. He should be vigorous, active and thrifty, but not excessively fat. Two or three weeks before and during the breeding season, a pound or two of whole oats a day mixed with a small amount of wheat bran should keep the ram in good breeding condition. With a small amount of wheat bran in the grain mixture, there is less chance for rams to choke on the whole oats. More than one good sheep has been known to choke to death on whole oats when eating too fast, and this can be expensive when it happens to be a valuable stud ram.

It is considered a good practice to shear the ram entirely a week or two previous to turning with the ewes. He will be cooler, far more active and chances are more fertile without his wool.

If rams are kept up in a barn or shed during the day they should receive some good legume hay, preferably alfalfa, along with their grain feed. Because of its richness in protein, minerals and vitamins and be-

The Breeding Season

cause of its appetizing qualities, it is by far the best kind of roughage for sheep.

Handling the Ram

A strong, vigorous ram from one to four years old is usually considered sufficient to breed 35 to 40 ewes when allowed to run with the flock day or night. However, some breeders, as stated previously, prefer to keep the ram away from the ewes during the day and allow him with them only in the late evening and night. If this system is used or the ewes are so-called hand bred, the flock owner can normally expect a ram to serve a greater number of ewes.

Occasionally, ram lambs are used in small flocks up to 20 or 25 ewes and occasionally more, but they should be well grown and vigorous lambs and turned with the ewes only at night.

Feed and Exercise for the Ewes During Pregnancy

Pregnancy is certainly one of the critical periods in sheep production. Ewes are lost every fall, winter and spring, and much of this loss can be attributed to the improper care and feeding of the breeding ewes during pregnancy. Ewes that have been properly fed and conditioned usually have plenty of milk and reserve flesh and strength to carry them through the suckling period.

During the fall months the breeding flock will get much of its feed in the pastures and fields, thus enabling them to get plenty of exercise, which is so essential for pregnant ewes. Here in the Southwest, young, tender, winter grain fields of oats, wheat, barley and rye afford ideal green feed for the breeding flock when available. But after killing frosts and freezes, it is often necessary to supplement these field feeds with supplement feeds that have been harvested. Alfalfa, clover and soy bean hay all have more or less the same feed value as sheep feed and should keep the ewes in excellent condition.

The breeding ewes should always have access to plenty of clean water and salt at all times.

News Highlights from The Field

At the last Oklahoma Junior Fat Lamb Show held at the State Fairgrounds in Oklahoma City, a Dorset wether lamb dressed out the highest percentage in the carcass lamb contest. . . Bob Noble, Head of the Sheep Department at Oklahoma State University, who judged the fat lamb show on foot, mentioned that this fine Dorset lamb had very little waste, with a lot of good red meat in the right places. . . The Dorset Haven Farms show flock will, no doubt, be exhibited as usual at the Oklahoma City and Tulsa State Fairs this fall. . . Jack and Tom Zaloudek have established one of the leading Dorset flocks in the country at Dorset Haven Farms. . . Ronald Dick of Waukomis, Oklahoma, exhibited the champion Shropshire ewe at the Ozark Empire Fair, Springfield, Missouri, during the week of August 12-18. . . Alex McKenzie, Oklahoma State University shepherd, judged the sheep at the Minnesota State Fair at St. Paul, August 26-September 4. . . Al Dixon, Iowa State

University, at Ames, will judge several breeds of sheep at the American Royal at Kansas City, Missouri, October 13-21. . . My mistake in last month's column, it was Bobby Penny who bought the top-selling Southdown ewe in the Kindoll Dispersal at Wheatley, Kentucky, for \$250. . . Sorry, Bob, and am glad to make this correction. . . The Clyde Beeby Hampshire flock of Marshall, Oklahoma, that was advertised for sale in the September issue of this magazine is one of the good Hampshire flocks in the Sooner State. . . Several prize-winning wethers have come from this flock, including the champion medium wool wether at the 1961 Fort Worth Southwestern Exposition.

Remember the dates and plan to attend the Pan-American Livestock Exposition at the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, October 7-15. This great show is now firmly established as the international meeting place and exchange for livestock breeders and buyers from the Latin-American countries of Central and South America, and the top breeders in our nation. . . The Junior Fat Lamb Show at Dallas will be held the following week, and the grand champion lambs and all other lambs selling on Saturday, October 21.

FORMER FOWLKES RANCH SELLS AGAIN

THE HUGE former Fowlkes Brothers ranch in Presidio County was recently leased with option to buy by the Lincoln Livestock Company of Roswell, New Mexico, representing Robert O. Anderson. The ranch, consisting of about 500 sections, is now owned by the Big Bend Ranch Company of Midland. The ranch currently is carrying about 25,000 head of sheep.

The ranch was established in the early 1930's by Edwin H. Fowlkes, Jr., and J. M. Fowlkes. The brothers sold the place in 1958 to Len G. McCormick, Midland attorney and oil operator. The sale price at that time was believed to have been around \$2 million.

The late Julian K. Sprague of Williamstown, Massachusetts, president of Sprague Electric and Electronics Company, purchased the Fowlkes ranch in July, 1960, from McCormick. He died on the place in September of the same year.

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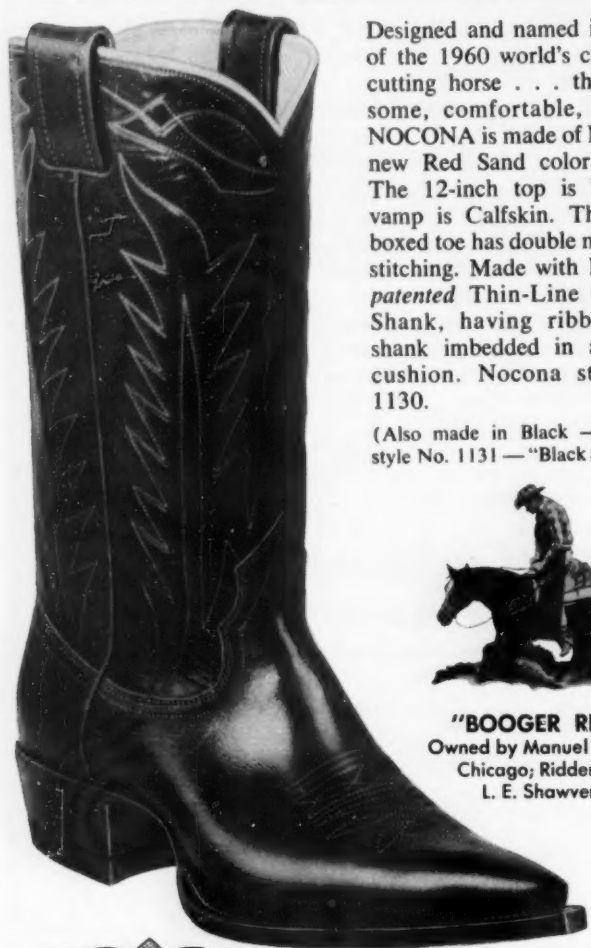
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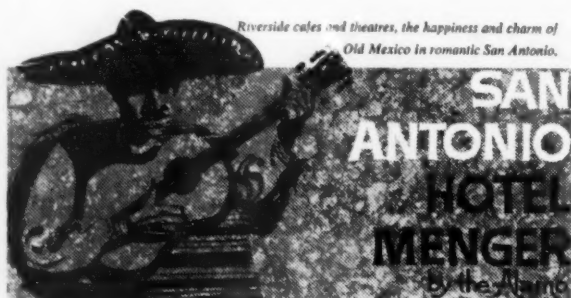
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Washington Parade

By JAY RICHTER

A FIVE-YEAR, \$5 million program to combat hog cholera in this country has now been authorized by the House and Senate and been signed by President Kennedy. USDA estimates that \$4 million will be required to complete its first year of work on the cholera problem—and up to \$10 million for each of several years thereafter.

Canada, which has just reported a successful eradication of a cholera outbreak in Quebec Province, has threatened to ban imports of U. S. pork products unless the United States takes quick action against the disease.

Eleven other countries have already placed restrictions on shipments of U. S. pork because of our hog cholera incidence.

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations has just completed a study showing that world livestock diseases are increasing in number and virulence.

More international cooperation to control animal sickness is needed, says FAO. "This is important for human health as well as animal health, since many animal diseases, such as rabies, anthrax, and bovine tuberculosis, are communicable to man."

One of the best evidences of last year's recession is available in a report on farm machinery and equipment sales for 1960.

The report was compiled by the Census Bureau's industry division.

Shipments of farm machines, excluding wheel and tracklaying tractors and garden tractors, were valued at \$986 million last year as compared with more than \$1.1 billion the previous year of 1959.

Substantial decreases were shown for harrows, rollers, pulverizers, stalk cutters, farm wagons, trucks and other farm transportation equipment, plus planting, seeding and fertilizing equipment, sprayers and dusters.

With domestic farm considerations temporarily in a period of lull, Agriculture Secretary Orville Freeman has turned his attention to international trade problems.

He is now making his first tour of overseas capitals to beef up foreign buying of U. S. agricultural commodities.

First stop was London, where he opened an exhibit of food at the new U. S. Trade Center. He later met with British Government and trade officials.

The Trade Center, located in the heart of London's business and financial district, is jointly sponsored by the U. S. Departments of Agriculture and Commerce and is designed to promote increased dollar sales of American products not subject to quantitative import restrictions by the United Kingdom.

Secretary Freeman's visit to Brussels was, first, to get acquainted with

Belgian food buyers, and, second, to confer with European Economic Community (Common Market) leaders in regard to the same subject that called former Secretary Ezra Taft Benson abroad just a year ago.

The United States is deeply concerned that certain trade policies under consideration by the EEC will adversely affect our West European markets for farm products and will curtail the two-way trade programs the United States encourages.

The American farmers' stake in Western Europe from a trade point of view amounts to more than a billion dollars a year.

The Secretary's trip points up the increasing USDA effort to identify its operations with international trade.

That effort is, indirectly, stimulated by a recent power struggle that has been going on behind the scenes in Washington over the administration of Food for Peace.

Food for Peace Administrator George McGovern had indicated hopes of getting control of much of our overseas food distribution but both the State Department and Agriculture clamped down. Now the word is that the White House has reduced McGovern to an advisory capacity, stripping his staff to the bare minimum.

Meanwhile, USDA and the State Department are still vying for control of the vast new aid program in connection with food matters. The recognizable competition is between the reorganized International Cooperation Administration under the State Department.

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ABILENE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE LOSES

THE HEIRS of the late William M. Edwards won their million-dollar land suit against Abilene Christian College when the jury decided in their favor September 8 in Fort Stockton.

The court had adjudged the late Mr. Edwards of sound mind when he deeded his 65½-section West Texas ranch to the college in December, 1954, but the Edwards heirs won the case on their contention that the college officials had used undue influence on the ranchman. By agreement with the late Mr. Edwards, the college paid him \$50,000 annually until his death, after which the college was to receive possession of the ranch property.

The trial was the second for the Edwards land case; the first trial, held last January and February, ended with a hung jury.

The heirs in the case were Mrs. Mary Flemming, Mrs. Grace Deats, Frank Edwards, and John Edwards. They were represented by attorneys Claude Gilmer of Rocksprings, Earnest Guinn of El Paso, and Pierce Stevenson of Austin.

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Analyzing Livestock And Meat Situation

By SHEEP AND GOAT RAISER CHICAGO BUREAU

ANYONE CONNECTED with the livestock industry cannot but give some thought to the lamb feeding industry as the fall season appears and its prospects for the coming feeding season. Following the relatively poor returns to lamb feeders earlier in the year, some concern has been expressed recently regarding the possibility of feeding profits in the coming feeding venture.

Judging from reported activity prevailing in the replacement lamb market in late August and early September, the major share of the nation's lamb feeders are not overly concerned with the outcome of their operations as they move into their replacement buying. Either that or they are confident of making money by finishing lambs in the coming months.

Reports from most major lamb producing areas recently told of several thousand head of thin lambs changing hands for either immediate or near-term delivery. Many of the sales and contracts reported at the outset of September were made for September delivery.

Whether or not profits will be realized is a matter of conjecture at this

time. However, several market interests are of the opinion that, unlike a year ago, Corn Belt lamb feeders will find profits awaiting them during their marketing operations in the fore part of 1962.

This belief is based entirely on the relatively attractive prices at which lamb finishers were able to make their most recent purchases. The bulk of the replacement lambs reported sold or contracted ranged from \$13 to \$15, with the lion's share of the transactions completed with a \$13 front figure, mainly \$13 to \$13.50. Market interests believe that, with replacement costs ranging under the \$15 level, lamb feeding will be on the black side of the ledger when the bulk of these lambs move to market late in 1961 and early in 1962.

Naturally, it is impossible at this time to know the general level of the fat lamb market several months from now, but it is generally agreed that the market for the fat product will not get to a point where profits will be eliminated from lambs costing from \$13 to \$13.50 as replacements.

Reviewing the events of a year ago as far as lamb finishers are concerned, it was noted that the bulk of the replacements went into the finishing lots last fall from \$15 to \$17, mostly \$15 to \$16. At that time, the top for prime lambs at Chicago hovered around the \$21 figure, with the average level of prices close to the \$18 mark. By the time these lambs moved to market early in 1961, the top for prime lambs at Chicago had declined almost \$4, with the daily tops early in the year ranging down in the \$17 column.

With a decline of this size in the making while a good portion of the thin lambs were in the process of fattening, it can be readily seen why many Corn Belt interests had their operations show up in the red.

Actually, developments in the fat lamb market at Chicago during the fore part of September were anything but optimistic. Price weakness which had been present since mid-August was continued into the first half of September, dropping the general level of prices to the lowest point since the outset of August.

Top lambs slipped below the \$19 mark, the lowest point since July, after comparable kinds were at the \$21 figure during the early part of August.

Increased slaughter of sheep and lambs in federally inspected plants throughout the country accounted for the weak undertone of the market. Late August lamb slaughter set a 10-week high and ran more than seven percent ahead of a year earlier, the sharpest increase percentage-wise since late June.

Prior to the late August increase in sheep and lamb slaughter, July slaughter data placed the monthly kill at

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1,125,830 head, the largest July total since 1957. This boosted the seven-month sheep and lamb kill to 8,711,181 head, the largest for a comparable seven-month period since 1947 when more than nine million head were slaughtered during the first seven months of the year.

A series of non-slaughtering kosher holidays which began shortly before the middle of September and were scheduled to be carried into the early part of October caused a narrowing of the price spread in steers at Chicago as the religious holidays caused periodic curtailment in the demand for the upper crust of steers which ordinarily go to satisfy orders for kosher-type cattle.

After ranging in the \$26 column for more than a month, top steers around the middle of September slipped below the \$26 mark to undermine the undertone in high choice and prime steers, while kinds grading average choice and below under 1,200 pounds maintained recent levels.

This trend of pushing well finished steers grading high choice and better downward to such an extent that there is an overlapping of prices between the various grades and weights renewed the pattern which prevailed throughout most of the midsummer period when all grades of steers sold within a very narrow spread.

Meanwhile, price trends in stockers and feeders showed no major changes in most areas as the fall buying season moved toward the peak period in the movement of replacement cattle. Some sections reported activity not as brisk as that which prevailed during August, but overall price continued much the same and remained above price levels of a year ago, much to the disappointment of Corn Belt cattle feeders who had visions of making their fall purchases at prices under those of last fall. If these ideas are to become a reality, some sharp downward price adjustments will have to be made almost immediately.

There are those who are of the opinion that the fat cattle market may have a struggle during the fall months to hold on to price gains which were registered in August. If this proves to be the case and some weakness develops in the fat cattle market, it may provide the leverage cattle feeders need to work replacement costs lower. This would undoubtedly take place in yearling replacements only, since any fall weakness in the fat cattle market would not undermine the price trends in calves.

According to most reports, a big share of the Corn Belt finishers had not committed themselves to any purchases of yearling steers by mid-September. At the same time, contracts of yearlings were reported in only limited volume in some of the larger producing areas. Thus, even with all of the replacement activity that took place in August, it appears that much of it is also being held for the peak period this fall.

The scant activity in contracting of yearlings during the fore part of September ranged from \$24 to \$25.50 in some areas, mostly up from \$24.75.

While no appreciable downward

price changes were noted in the hog market during the fore part of September, the trade gave evidence of being top heavy as a weaker undertone was apparent at times. Seasonally lower prices are in prospect for the balance of the year, due to expected heavier hog numbers, but hog raisers consider themselves fortunate since the seasonal decline in prices will start with them on a comparatively high level.

Because hog raisers did not increase production last spring to any substantial degree, the fall decline in prices is expected to be moderate, but of sufficient size to drop them during the final portion of 1961 to somewhat under prices prevailing a year ago.

The \$19 figure was absent from the hog market at Chicago during the first half of September, the first time since mid-July that top hogs failed to reach the \$19 price. Instead, top hogs hovered between \$18.50 and \$18.75.

MEXICAN FARM LABOR PROGRAM EXTENDED

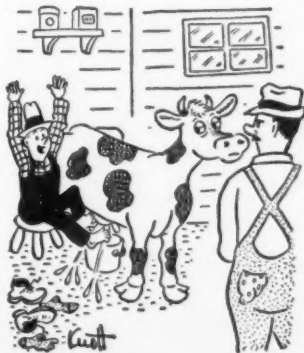
THE MEXICAN farm labor program was extended for two more years by members of a Senate-House conference on September 15 in Washington. A proposal by the Senate to raise the wages given to imported workers was defeated in the conference.

The compromise version accepted by the conferees contains the following new provisions:

Mexicans can be brought into the country to work only after "reasonable efforts have been made to attract domestic workers for such employment at standard wages, standard hours of work, and working conditions comparable to those offered to foreign workers."

The defeated proposal would have provided that a Mexican would have to be paid at least 90 percent of the average wage in the state where employed or 90 percent of the national farm average wage.

Gene F. Wood of Laclede, Missouri, writes that he has sold a Corriedale stud ram to A. M. James of Austin, Texas, for \$1,000. The record on this ram is excellent as he was a grand champion at the recent Missouri State Fair. Mr. Wood also sold a stud ewe, the champion of the Central District sale at Chillicothe in July. The ewe brought \$450.



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What Is Your Sheep I. Q. ?

Ed's. Note — The questions and answers in this feature of the magazine represent the findings of the following members of the sheep and wool staff of New Mexico State University

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Mr. Ruttle writes that, "the answers are based on actual findings under range conditions, and are not just theory. The questions for the most part came up during some twenty-five years of sheep improvement work in New Mexico, and many came from sheep producers. Most of the figures and findings are now used as a basis for our selection program. The gains

that are being made using this program have resulted in some 53 percent of the New Mexico sheep population now being under a system of classification and selection. We figure a conservative estimate of value to New Mexico ranchers has been two million dollars per year in increased wool and lamb production."

We hope that you will enjoy this educational feature.

1. Question: A flock of sheep has an average wool length of 2.5 inches and shears 4.25 pounds of clean wool. If the length of wool staple is increased to 3 inches, how much more clean wool will this flock produce on the average?

Answer: Each plus or minus of $\frac{1}{4}$ inch in staple length of wool affects total clean wool production by approximately 0.2 per clean pound. Therefore, increasing the length of the staple from 2.5 inches would increase clean wool weight by 0.8 pound.

2. Question: The average body weight of a range flock of ewes was increased 32 pounds. How many more pounds of clean wool does this represent in production increase?

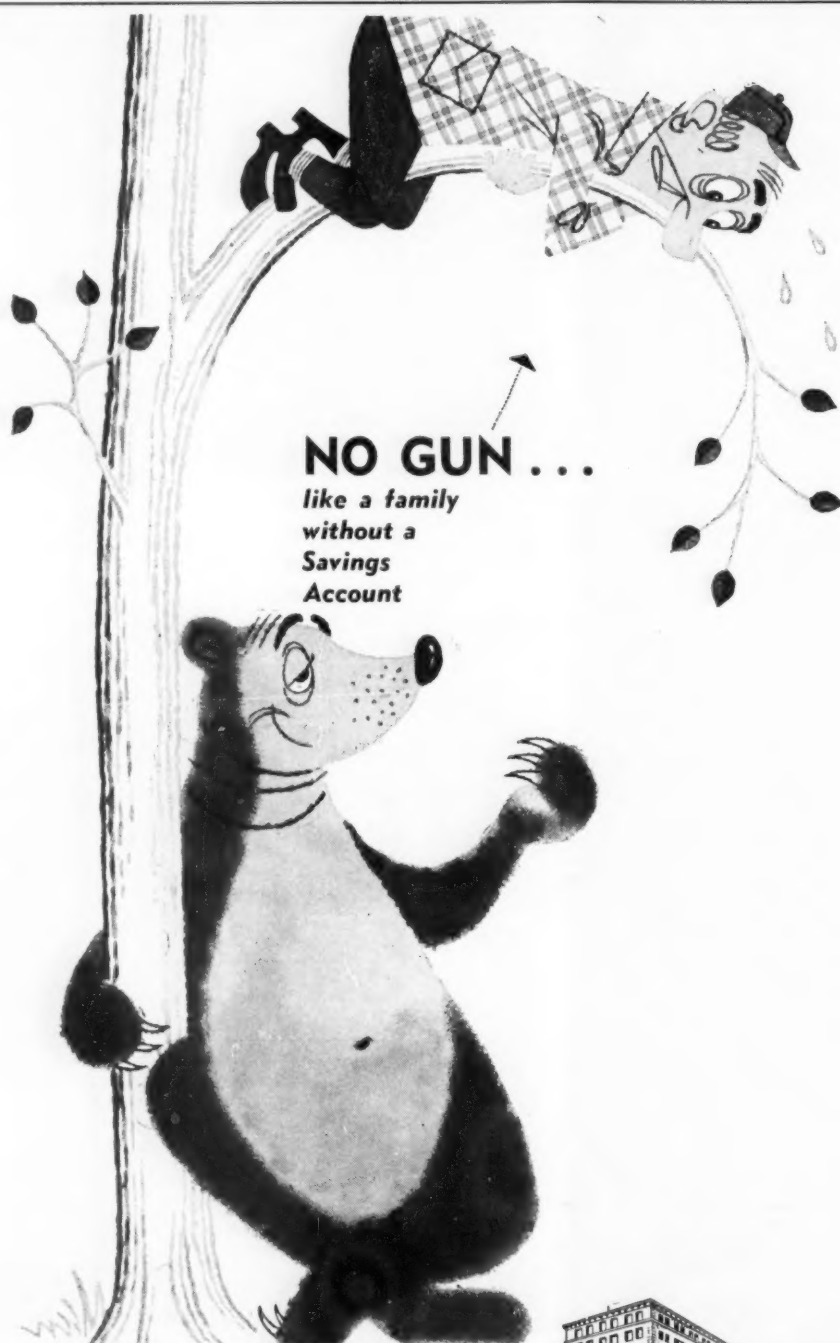
Answer: Each plus or minus of 8 pounds in body weight will on the average increase or decrease clean wool production by approximately 0.2 clean pound. So, a 32-pound increase in body weight would increase clean wool weight by 0.8 pound.

3. Question: A 200-pound ram and a 160-pound ram are raised under the same conditions and bred to uniform ewes. What would be the expected average difference in lamb weights between the offspring of each of these sires?

Answer: Each pound of growth body weight difference between sires represents on the average .35 pound advantage to the offspring. Therefore, a difference of 40 pounds body weight between sires would represent a 14-pound expected difference between the respective offspring at weaning time.

4. Question: Under the same environmental conditions what will be the expected difference in clean wool pounds produced between offspring sired by a ram that produces 8 pounds of clean wool and a ram that produces 10 pounds of clean wool?

Answer: A clean wool difference of 1 pound between sires equals a $\frac{1}{2}$ pound difference between offspring on the average. Therefore, a difference of 2 pounds of clean wool between sires would equal a one-pound difference between offspring in the case in point.



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MISS MOHAIR of 1962 will be one of the three lovely finalists chosen in early-August at the Annual Show and Sale of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association in Fredericksburg.

The girls, Mary Harding Felts, 19, of San Saba; Nancy Friend, 18, of Ozona; and Joann West, 19, of Kerr-

ville, and their friends are campaigning vigorously. Votes for the contestants for the mohair crown are acquired by the girls through the sale of ballots at \$1.00 each. The girl who receives the most votes will be named Miss Mohair-elect and will be crowned next August.

The money raised by the finalists and their friends will be used in the mohair promotion fund of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association.

Ballots may be obtained from any of the three finalists, from the office of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association in Uvalde, from the SHEEP AND GOAT RAISER magazine office, and from various of the wool and mohair warehouses and individuals in the Angora goat areas of the state.

Deadline for the balloting will be October 31.

MARSHALL HOLDS GOOD SUFFOLK SALE

VICTOR MARSHALL of Harper termed his registered Suffolk dispersal sale at the Community Center in Gatesville, September 16 a good sale. He said he was happy with the results, considering the commercial sheep market, and that "everything went off smoothly."

Two stud rams sold for \$160 and \$120, an average of \$140 per head, and eight ram lambs went for a total of \$630, averaging \$78.75 per head.

Auctioneers Johnny Watkins and Earl Smith sold for Mr. Marshall 91 bred ewes for a total of \$4,432.50 and an average of \$48.70 per head. Twenty-six ewe lambs brought a total of \$1,070 and an average of \$41.14.

Some of the ram lambs brought prices up to \$155, with some of the top ewes bringing up to \$102.50 per head.

Top buyers of the sale were Morris and Sohl of Rocksprings and Alpine. They purchased six rams, two of them studs, and twenty ewes, five of them ewe lambs.

Boots Felton of the Red Top Ranch near Waco and Mrs. J. D. Harris of

Hempstead were the top buyers of bred ewes.

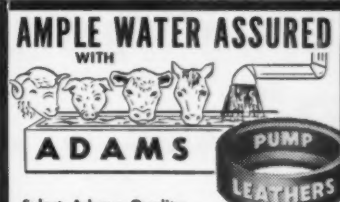
Other buyers came from points all over the state, but the biggest bulk of the Marshall flock was purchased by persons from the Central Texas area. According to Mr. Marshall, "we had a nice crowd and plenty of buyers."

WOOL CONTEST IN NEW MEXICO

THE NEW Mexico Make It Yourself With Wool Contest for 1961 is now under way, according to State Contest Director, Mrs. H. M. Corn of Roswell. District competitions are being held in October and November in the New

Mexico division of the home sewing contest for girls between the ages of 13 and 21. Some 500 girls are expected to compete in the event, which requires that all garments entered be made of 100 percent American loomed wool.

The New Mexico contest is co-sponsored by the New Mexico Wool Growers, Inc., and the Women's Auxiliary to the National Wool Growers Association. Junior and senior winners will be chosen at the state finals for the contest on November 25 at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque. The two top New Mexico winners will travel to the national finals in Salt Lake City, Utah, next January with all their expenses paid.



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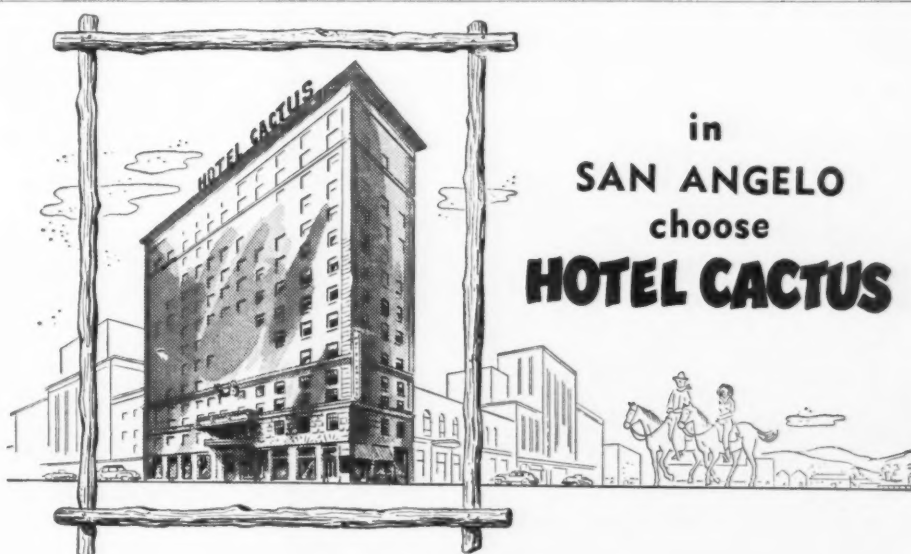
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5. Question: Which is the most valuable ram for over-all production, one that weighs 200 pounds and shears 7 pounds of clean wool or one that weighs 180 pounds and shears 10 pounds of clean wool?

Answer: Based on Factors used in Questions 3 and 4, environment and other factors being equal, the following results may be expected:

Ram No.	Weight	Pounds Clean Wool
1	200	7
2	180	10
Difference	20	3

Ram No. 1 with a weight advantage of 20 pounds will produce 7.0 pounds more weaning lamb. Ram No. 2 with a clean wool advantage of 3 pounds will produce offspring with 1½ more pounds of clean wool than the offspring of Ram No. 1.

Offspring from Ram No. 1, at 20c per pound, will return \$1.40 more than the offspring from Ram No. 2, when sold as lambs. Offspring from Ram No. 2 producing one and a half more clean wool at \$1.30 per clean pound will return \$1.95 more than the offspring from Ram No. 1.

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The Stockman's Guide . . .

By M. E. ENSMINGER

IN THE everyday pursuits of modern agriculture, more and more chemicals that may be poisonous to animals are being used.

Nitrate Poisoning (Oat Hay Poisoning, Corn Stalk Poisoning)

Nitrate poisoning is not new, having been reported as early as 1850, and having occurred in semi-arid regions of this and other countries for years. However, excessive nitrate content of feed plants, primarily due to more and higher nitrogen fertilization, is an increasingly important cause of poisoning in farm animals.

When nitrate poisoning strikes, it can be both devastating and perplexing. Cattle, sheep, and horses are susceptible, but especially cattle.

Actually, the name "nitrate poisoning" is a misnomer, for the nitrate form of nitrogen does not appear to cause the actual toxicity. During digestion, the nitrate is reduced to nitrite, a far more toxic form (nitrites are 10 to 15 times more toxic than

nitrites). In cows and sheep, this conversion takes place in the rumen (paunch); in horses in the caecum.

The common sources of nitrate poisoning are:

1. The forages (the grains of plants do not appear to accumulate nitrate nitrogen) of most grain crops—oats, wheat, barley, rye, corn, and sorghum; sudangrass, and numerous weeds readily concentrate nitrogen under stress, e. g., drought, insufficient sunlight, after being sprayed by weed killers, or following frost. Also, high soil nitrate nitrogen—as a result of heavy applications of nitrogen fertilizer, green manure crops, or barnyard manure—may boost the nitrate nitrogen to dangerous levels in plants; and, for unknown reasons, sometimes nitrate appears to be formed after forage is stacked.

2. Inorganic salts of nitrate or nitrite, usually from agricultural chemicals (including fertilizers) carelessly applied to fields or otherwise left where animals have access to them.

Sometimes these chemicals are also mistakenly used in place of common salt, with disastrous losses.

3. Pond or shallow well water into which heavy rains may wash in a high concentration of nitrate from (1) fertilizers from heavily fertilized fields, (2) feed lot drainage (as ammonium nitrate.)

The lethal dose of nitrate in plants varies with (1) the nutritional state, size and type of animal; and (2) the consumption of feeds other than nitrate-containing material. However, *any amount of nitrate nitrogen over 0.5 percent of the total ration (moisture-free basis) is a potential source of trouble*; at around 0.75 percent nitrate content forages must be fed with caution and milk production will be lowered; and at 1.5 percent death will likely occur.

Where there is reason to have suspicion, the feed should be analyzed. A rapid qualitative field test is available (test kits, along with sampling and testing directions, can be obtained from several commercial companies), and may be used for spotting high-nitrate samples, following which those of high concentration should be analyzed quantitatively in a chemistry laboratory.

Nitrate-poisoned animals exhibit the following symptoms: accelerated respiration and pulse rate; diarrhea; frequent urination; loss of appetite; general weakness, trembling, and a staggering gait; frothing from the mouth; lowered milk production; abor-

tion; blue color of the mucus membranes, muzzle and udder due to lack of oxygen; and death in four and one-half to nine hours after eating lethal doses of nitrate.

A rapid and accurate diagnosis of nitrate poisoning may be made by drawing and examining a venous (jugular) blood sample. Normal blood is red and becomes brighter on standing. Brown-colored blood, due to the formation of methemoglobin, is characteristic of animals suffering from nitrate poisoning; chemically, the nitrate oxidizes the ferrous hemoglobin (oxyhemoglobin) to ferric hemoglobin (methemoglobin) which cannot transport oxygen. The methemoglobin turns blood brown in color. Death from nitrate poisoning, which may be compared to asphyxiation or strangulation, occurs when about three-fourths of the oxyhemoglobin (the oxygen carrier in the blood) has been converted to methemoglobin.

The incidence of nitrate poisoning may be lowered by (1) feeding high levels of carbohydrate or energy feeds (grain or molasses) and vitamin A (massive quantities of vitamin A seem to offset the toxic effect of methemoglobin); (2) feeding limited amounts of high nitrate forage; (3) alternating or mixing high and low nitrate forages; and (4) ensiling forages of known high nitrate content, since the fermentation reduces some of the nitrates to gas.

When making silage from high nitrate forage, caution should be taken,



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Where nitrate troubles are suspected, the stockman should consult the local veterinarian or county agent.

Flushing Ewes and Sows

Flushing is that practice of feeding thin ewes and sows more generously ten days to three weeks before breeding. This may be accomplished by grain feeding, or ewes may be turned on more lush pasture or range.

Although it is not likely that all the benefits ascribed to flushing will be fully realized under all conditions, the general feeling persists that the practice will result in (1) more eggs being shed, (2) the females coming in heat more promptly, (3) more certain and prompt conception — with the young arriving more nearly at the same time, and (4) a 15 to 20 percent increase in lamb and pig crops.

Fat ewes and sows can best be conditioned for feeding by increasing the exercise.

All Concentrate Rations For Fattening Cattle

Low-roughage, high-energy rations for fattening cattle have become very popular in recent years.

Until recently, it was assumed that hay (or other comparable roughage) was essential for satisfactory performance of feedlot cattle. But research, and practical feeding trials have now demonstrated that the roughage requirement may be met by that present in certain feeds normally considered concentrates; and that such rations enable the feeder to market cattle on less feed—and in less time.

Actually, the term "all-concentrate" is a misnomer, in that (1) the supplement may contain some roughage such as alfalfa meal, and (2) some concentrates (like barley) are fairly high in fiber.

Here are the pertinent facts about all-concentrate rations for fattening cattle:

1. Some "roughage" value is desirable; either through (1) feeding fibrous concentrates such as barley, or (2) providing a minimum of hay (or comparable roughage).

2. All-concentrate rations are better adapted to short than to long-feeding periods; some feeders and researchers report that cattle receiving all-concentrate rations longer than 100 days frequently tire of the ration and/or develop ruminitis.

3. The nutrient deficiencies of the concentrate — especially in minerals and vitamins—must be furnished in a suitable supplement.

4. Relative feed costs will determine primarily the practicality of all-concentrate rations versus the old, traditional fattening rations with concentrate-to-roughage rations ranging from 30:70 to 70:30. Also, all-concentrate rations make for lower labor (because of increased automation in handling) and storage costs than conventional rations. Actually, the cattlemen can now formulate rations between the two extremes — from all-roughage to all-concentrate; and the wise manager will choose between the two, largely on the basis of comparative cost of gains.

Vitamin A in Cattle Feedlot Rations

Currently, many cattle feedlot troubles are being diagnosed as inadequacy of vitamin A. This appears to be especially true (1) when high concentrate rations of barley and milo are fed, (2) when feeds high in nitrates (nitrites) are fed, and (3) when there is considerable stress such as when cattle are first moved into the feedlot or during extremely hot or cold weather.

There is insufficient scientific information upon which to make vitamin A recommendations for fattening cattle. However, based on practical observations and studies conducted by some feedlot consultants with large numbers, it is recommended that 20,000 to 30,000 I. U. of vitamin A be added to the daily ration of each fattening animal. At current prices, the cost will not exceed one cent per head per day, which is cheap insurance.

SANDERSON WOOL SELLS

SANDERSON WOOL and Mohair Company of Sanderson sold 105,000 pounds of the 200,000 pounds of fall wool offered at a sealed bid sale September 19.

Firm owner and manager, John T. Williams, said that prices were down from two to four cents per pound from sales of a month ago. He stated that "Shearing of fall wool has just started in this area," that "there's considerable tonnage yet to come in."

Prices at the sale ranged from 42½ cents to 50½ cents per pound.

Boston buyers and the tonnage purchased by each were: Stevens & Company, 43,000 pounds; Colonial Wool Company, 9,300 pounds; Prouvost-LeFebvre Company, 8,000 pounds; Forte, Dupee, Sawyer Company, 7,000 pounds; Huntington Wool Company, 7,000 pounds; and Emery Wool Company, 6,000 pounds.

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The Cattle Situation

By ELMER KELTON



WEST TEXAS cattle prices remained very strong through September. If anything, they gained a little ground. By the end of the month buyers were estimating that 75 to 80 percent of the feeder calves were either gone or under contract.

Most people, for that reason, expected a lighter run for the late-September feeder calf sale in San Angelo. Instead, it turned out to be the biggest run of the year, larger than the earlier two combined. Prices were higher than a tree, too. The 3,422 head averaged \$123 per head.

Best selling items were the good heifer calves, particularly the Angus, which went to stockmen wanting to keep them as herd replacements. Several top strings of Angus heifer calves sold at 30 cents a pound or more and figured out to around \$150 to \$155 per head. Some of the better Hereford heifers also sold for replacements instead of for feeders.

Declared one San Angelo order buyer who was unable to buy any cattle at the limits given him by his Midwestern customers: "There's more enthusiasm here today than you'll find anywhere else in the United States."

The champion steer calves of both Hereford and Angus breeds brought the same price, \$27.50 cwt. Cecil Meador of Eldorado had the Herefords, 40 head weighing 529 pounds. M. D. Bryant of San Angelo had the Angus, 20 weighing 500. Champion Angus heifers were sold by Boze Hartgrove of Big Lake for \$31 cwt., weight 498 pounds. Meador's champion Hereford heifers, 485 pounds, sold for \$25.20.

In the country, buyers were eagerly searching out the scattered bunches of unsold calves. Good Angus steer calves were selling without much trouble at up to 27 cents a pound, Herefords 26. As has been the case all season, buyers preferred the lighter cattle. But now they were becoming much less finicky about heavy

calves. Where they were cutting out the over-500s six weeks ago, they were taking them in September.

One string of 350 Hereford steer calves on one of the larger West Texas ranches brought 29 cents a pound at mid-month. They had never been dehorned, and they were expected to weigh in the neighborhood of 400 pounds. The ranch had received calls from all over the country about these calves. This was an indication of the strong demand for calves, especially in big strings.

Harry Holt, Abilene ranchman and newsman, said the Abilene-area calves sold almost overnight, once the movement got started. That's still mostly a Hereford country, and the good steers averaged 26 cents a pound, he said. Heifers went mostly at 24. Most will be delivered in October. They have had a good summer and will tend to be heavy.

Because of the high prices on calves, some buyers were swinging more to yearling cattle. The purchase prices on these seemed to be more nearly in line with fat-cattle prices. For instance, Hubert Chance of San Angelo bought 240 choice Angus and Hereford yearlings in San Angelo for 23 cents a pound.

One factor helping boost the calf market was the very favorable outlook for wheat grazing on the high plains. Although it was still too early to turn in, the early-season prospects around Amarillo looked very good, said Crockett Kehoe, Amarillo cattle buyer. Subsoil moisture was excellent. A little

SHEEP AND GOAT RAISER

more rain a bit later in the season would almost assure wheat grazing.

With most of the country favored by good rains, many stockmen have bought cattle to winter on grass, too. For this purpose they usually take the lightest cattle they can get. But by removing these lightweights from the market, they make feeder buyers bid heavier on the calves of more weight.

Many Midwestern feeders have continued to resist the strong West Texas prices. So have some West Texas feeders. The several big feedlots in the Pecos Valley were still far short of their usual fall numbers late in September. As one operator said, replacement cattle were priced so high that there was no possible way to figure a "pencil profit" on the basis of existing prices being paid for fat cattle.

He said any feeder buying at West Texas market levels was buying himself a sure loss.

It wasn't hard to see his point. Fat cattle on Texas markets were selling from 22 to 24 cents a pound, most of them in the general area of 23 cents. It would take extra-cheap feed to overcome the difference, and feed isn't cheap this year.

A typical San Angelo cattle market report: Stocker steer calves weighing 275 to 400 pounds sold at \$27 to \$31.50 cwt.; weights 400 to 500 pounds, \$25.50 to \$28.50; stocker steer yearlings weighing 500 to 600 pounds, \$23 to \$26.50; weights 650 to 850 pounds, \$21.50 to \$23; plain kinds, \$20 to \$22.50; choice yearling heifers, \$20 to \$27.50; lightweights, \$22 to \$28; medium to plain, \$18 to \$22; heiferettes to \$21; utility and cutter cows, \$14.50 to \$16.50; canners, \$9 to \$14; slaughter bulls, \$16 to \$20; cows and calves, \$140 to \$250 per pair.

A well known Snyder cattleman, Harrie Winston, had some sharp comments about the market experts who

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. ARTHUR REAL

MRS. ARTHUR REAL, 86, died in a San Antonio hospital, September 15 after a long illness. Mrs. Real was born in England and came to Kerr County, Texas, with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. John Williams. The family lived in the Turtle Creek Community. She married the late Arthur Real and the couple operated the ranch which was settled by his father, the late Caspar Real, before the Civil War. About 35 years ago Mr. and Mrs. Real moved to San Antonio to make their home and their son, Caspar Real, managed the ranch. After the death of both her husband and son, Mrs. Real managed the Kerr County ranch. Surviving are two granddaughters, Mrs. Ray Boster, San Angelo, and Mrs. Dennis Niel, who is with her husband, Lt. Col. Niel, in Heidelberg, Germany; also eight great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

ROBERT C. SLOAN

ROBERT C. SLOAN, 95, prominent Hill Country ranchman, banker and civic leader, died September 14 at his home in San Saba.

Born December 19, 1865, Mr. Sloan was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John E. Sloan, pioneer settlers in Menard County. At the age of 18, he and five other men left the Hill Country on a cattle drive in search of grass with 1,500 head of cattle. The group reached Globe, Arizona, a year later with about half the number of cattle they had started with.

Mr. Sloan started in the ranching business in the Gila River area of Arizona. He married Miss Daisy Oldfield of Globe on September 1, 1904, in El Paso, and the couple celebrated its 50th wedding anniversary in 1954.

Shortly after their marriage, the Sloans moved back to Texas, and their home has been in San Saba since 1905. Mr. Sloan was one of the founders of the First National Bank of

San Saba, and at the time of his death, he was a director of the City National Bank.

Mr. Sloan and a son, Robert, operated the Sloan Ranch near San Saba, a ranch which was established over eighty years ago. Mr. Sloan was instrumental in bringing two railroads to the areas in which he lived. One railroad he helped secure was in Arizona, and the other was at San Saba.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Robert O. Sloan of San Saba, Dr. John Sloan of Corpus Christi, and Paul Sloan of Powell; six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

JOHN C. BARRON

JOHN CALEB BARRON, 65, Tom Green County ranchman, died in St. John's Hospital, San Angelo, September 13, after a long illness. Mr. Barron was born in Robert Lee, Texas, in 1895. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Barron who ranched in Tom Green County. In 1917 he married Miss Ruby Hudson, who survives him. The couple lived on a ranch near San Angelo. Mr. Barron and his son, John C. Barron, Jr., ran Rambouillet and Hereford cattle. Other survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Jerry Dusek of Vancouver and Mrs. Russell Green of Blanco; one sister, Mrs. Oscar Mims; two brothers, Jim Barron and Walter Barron, both of San Angelo; also four grandchildren.

STUART HABY

STUART WILLIAM HABY, Hill Country ranchman, died at his home in Utopia, Texas, on September 18, after suffering a heart attack. Mr. Haby was born in Bandera County in 1905, a son of the late Henry and Martha Hale Haby. In 1927 he married Miss Mary Jaekle in San Antonio. He had ranched in the Utopia community about 30 years. Surviving are his wife; a daughter, Mrs. O. W. Canion; a son, Stuart J. Haby; a brother, R. J. Haby, all of San Antonio; also four grandchildren.

last year predicted much lower feeder cattle prices this fall.

"If they could figure some way to round up all these smart fellows who claim to be able to predict the market 12 months ahead, and cut their throats, the cattle business would be better off," he declared.

He said some ranchmen took the dire predictions to heart and contracted their calves early to be safe. The calf market went up instead of down, and these ranchmen lost.

A famous old herd of registered Anxiety Fourth Herefords passed into history in September. The herd of the late Rexie Cauble of Big Spring was dispersed at one of the highest-priced auctions ever seen in this part of the country.

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Buyers were exceptionally eager to acquire some of the straightbred cattle which went back to more than 50 years of Cauble breeding. Even an 11-year-old cow with just one eye sold for \$365. She had a calf at side. The prices were remarkable in view of the fact that the cattle still showed the effects of the long drouth and were in only fair condition.

Although not good by any stretch of imagination, the sheep market during September was better than it had been through most of the summer season. With 75 or 80 percent of the West Texas lambs gone, buyers were having to hunt to find sizable strings of lambs any more.

Good whiteface mutton feeder lambs were selling at 12½ to as much as 13 cents a pound. Blackface lambs of the same general type were 13 to 13½. During August and September a nice demand had built up for straight ewe lambs. Most ranchmen were hanging onto these. Where some straight ewe lambs could be found, the whitefaces were bringing 13½ without much difficulty.

As for fat lambs, not many of the good kind were still around. A few of the really choice kind out of feedlots or off of good country would bring 15 cents. Most of the fat lambs, how-

ever, were the in-between kind at 14 to 14½ cents. Some cheater kinds would bring 13½ cents and up.

Good breeding ewes of desirable ages weren't being offered in quantity. Here and there some good solid-mouth ewes were selling around \$8 to \$8.50 per head. Believing old ewes to be the best bargain on the market, many stockmen were buying these and putting them on good pasture or field grazing, hoping to squeeze out one more winter and one more lamb. They reasoned that next spring's wool

clip would almost pay for the ewe, and the lamb plus the ewe's own salvage value would be mostly profit.

A typical September market report: Old ewes sold at \$4.75 to \$5.50 cwt.; old bucks, \$5 to \$5.50; fat lambs, \$14 to \$15.25; fat clipped lambs, \$14 to \$15; whiteface feeder lambs, \$12.50 to \$14; blackface feeder lambs, \$12.50 to \$13.50; fat yearling muttons, \$11 to \$12.50; aged muttons, \$5 to \$6.50; yearling ewes, \$8 to \$11 per head; solid-mouth ewes, \$6 to \$9 per head.

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TULLOS LIKES DEBOUILLETS

BILL TULLOS of Arden, west of San Angelo, is one of the Texas ranchmen who participated in the buying at the A. D. Jones Estate sale, September 7. He says that he has been very favorably impressed by Debouillet sheep, especially with the wool they produce.

In late August he sold his lambs at \$14.90 per hundred weight after shearing and feeding them a month or so. They weighed 81½ pounds and the wool paid for the extra feed, he said.

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Many Firms Charged in Lamb Price Manipulations

SEVEN MEAT packing firms, three nation-wide food store chains, and two lamb dealers were charged in formal complaints by the United States Department of Agriculture of possible manipulation and price control setting of lamb on September 14 in Washington, D. C.

The charges in violation of the Packers and Stockyards Act which Secretary of Agriculture Orville L. Freeman declared to be "gravely serious" will, if proven correct, explain to some extent the reason why lamb prices have not reacted to marketing conditions during the past several years.

Sheep raisers have been worried about the lamb price situation for some time. Secretary Freeman promised that lamb marketing practices will continue to be investigated and that additional complaints will be issued if conditions warrant them.

The Department of Agriculture will conduct a hearing at Craig, Colorado, scheduled to begin November 14, at which time the charges will be subject to proof. However, the parties charged in the complaints may waive hearings by either failing to answer the complaint or by admitting the charges.

The Agriculture Department can order an immediate stop to such price fixing if the violations are admitted or proven.

The firms and individuals named in the complaints included: James Allen & Sons of San Francisco, Armour & Company, Rath Packing Company, Goldring Packing Company of Los Angeles; John Morrell & Company, Wilson & Company, Swift & Company, American Stores Company, Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, Safeway Stores, and lamb dealers Dwight L. Heath of Lamar, Colorado, and Perry Holley of Ogden, Utah.

Charged with failing to conduct their lamb buying independently and in competition with one another were James Allen & Sons, Armour, Goldring, Rath, Swift, Wilson, American Stores, Heath, and Holley. The same firms and individuals were accused of failing to compete against each other by previous arrangements or agreements in buying lambs in certain sheep producing parts of the country.

In reference to the above, the complaint read: "These courses of action were followed with the purpose or with the effect of manipulating or controlling lamb prices and restricting competition in lamb buying."

Lamb purchases made by A. & P. stores from packers Armour, Morrell, Rath, Swift, and Wilson, and those made by Safeway from Armour, Goldring, Swift, and Wilson, brought accusations against three alleged practices by the parties concerned. These practices, said to have the effect of manipulating or controlling lamb prices, were cited in the complaints as follows:

1. All or most share in furnishing the chain's total requirements.
2. All or most packers sell the

lamb to the chains at the same prices.

3. The packers commit themselves to sell the chains specific amounts of dressed lamb at the same price, prior to the time the packers buy lamb to fulfill their future commitments.

Several of the parties named in the complaints have issued statements on the charges.

Wilson & Company in Chicago issued a statement soon after the complaints were read. It said, "at no time has it ever participated in any action which has in any way restrained competition or attempted to control prices."

Swift & Company in a news release from Chicago stated that, "Secretary Freeman's accusations are highly misleading and damaging to the entire sheep and lamb industry. These charges completely ignore the fundamental economics which underlie the basic problems besetting the industry. We will vigorously oppose these unwarranted charges at the proper time."

NEW MEXICO RANCH SOLD BY STATE

AT THE request of the Arco Corporation, 22,257 acres of state lease land in the M. R. Anderson Estate Ranch near Lovington, New Mexico, were offered for sale by the state land office in August. The Arco Corporation paid \$60 per acre for 160 acres of the land, which quarter section was unimproved. Joe Haymes of Santa Fe acted as agent for the corporation. R. B. Boggess of Friona, Texas, bought a quarter section at \$89 per acre and a half section at \$71. Improvements on each tract were valued at \$433.

The land was divided into 13 tracts and Mrs. Mattie Mae Anderson Price, executrix of the M. R. Anderson Estate, a daughter of the founder of the ranch, purchased all of the 22,257 acres, with the exception of the 640 acres mentioned above for a total of \$646,603. The estate paid \$45.50 per acre for 9,676 acres; \$27.50 for 951 acres; and \$18.25 for 7,670, and \$7.50 to \$21.25 per acre for tracts of 80 to 650 acres. The land was being leased at 10 to 14 cents per acre. Under provisions of the sale, buyers pay five percent of the sale price down, plus value of the improvements, and four percent interest on the 30-year note.

GOOD RAINS

MUCH OF the Hill Country and the Edwards Plateau region of Texas had good rains as a result of the September 10 to 12 hurricane Carla. Fredericksburg and Goldthwaite reported from five to six inches. Most other areas had lesser measurements. The western part of Texas and most of New Mexico report good range conditions and average to exceptional moisture conditions.

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SLAPHAPPY SUE shot her husband for fun—he'd been having down at Del Rio.

AND Sally, the shepherd's wife, says she's going to sue Hank for incompatibility... just as soon as she catches him at it.

THE BEST definition of a bachelor: A fellow who doesn't have to leave a party when he starts having a good time.

EVERY year the old ranchman complained about something. It was too dry or too wet, prices too low or livestock dying of some sickness. Nothing ever was right.

But then came the year when everything was about perfect. Cattle prices were good. Wool prices high and there was a 120 percent lamb crop. Grass was knee-high going into the winter.

"Pretty good year you got to admit," triumphantly declared his neighbor.

"Worse off than we ever was," commented the old crab. "Thing's just ain't natural."

"YEAH, that is Black Panther mountain," declared the cowboy to the tourist.

"Is there any story or legend or history connected with it?"

"You bet. Just last year a young married couple went up to the top and never came back again."

"Goodness! What became of them?"

"Went down on the other side."

DAFFYNITION: A gourmet is one who is invited to a party with plenty of wine, women and song—and wants to know the vintage year of the wine. . . . A square meal is what makes round people. . . . A raving beauty is a girl who finished second in a beauty contest.

THE sadest words of tongue or pen: "We sold the baby buggy and then. . . !"

AN apartment building is often a place where the landlord and the tenant are both trying to raise the rent.

THE young man in his teens had gone to call on his girl. The family had been unexpectedly called away for the weekend. The girl left this note on the front door: "Hi, Handsome. Have gone away for two days. Will be back Sunday afternoon. P. S. Don't tear up this note. You're not the only one."

TWO Russians showed up at the Pearly Gates. "You can't come in," said St. Peter. "You're atheists."

They answered, "Oh, we don't want in. We just want our rocket back."

A MAN can make a better living doing nothing nowadays than he did with a steady job a few years ago.

A BACHELOR is a man whom no girl has maneuvered into a situation where she can say, "Yes."

THE best way to remember your wife's birthday is to forget it once.

WHETHER a man winds up with a nest egg or a goose egg depends on the chick he marries.

ROTC Student: "I haven't a pencil or paper for the exam."

Sergeant: "What would you think of a soldier who went into battle without a gun or ammunition?"

ROTC Student: "I'd think he was an officer."

A FINE is a tax you have to pay for doing wrong. A tax is a fine you have to pay for doing okay.

WHEN a touring theater group went into Mexico they were stopped at the border by officials, one of whom was detailed to examine a pretty actress who had more personality than brains.

"You have something else of value I think," the official declared severely as he completed his examination.

"Heavens!" exclaimed the actress in dismay, "do I have to declare that too?"

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US AMERICANS have our happiest times in the first year of a new administration, when we can blame our troubles on the rascals just voted out and also on the rascals just voted in.

When Mrs. Quag Tofer said she believed she'd go to the city and have her face lifted, Quag told her not to stop half-way but have it lifted clear off. He'll be outa the hospittle Tuesday.

Our Hardscrabble Fire Dept. is about to disband, havin' learnt that all the property owners here has let their insurance lapse.

I tried to enlist in the army and fight the Reds, but the recruitin' officer wouldn't take me 'cause they're gettin' ready for a different kind of war. "We aim to win this'n," he said.

Ain't never been a case of heart failure in our state that wasn't caused by a tax bill or a doctor bill.

It's a lie they tell over to Beaver Slide about how the dogs in Hardscrabble is better fed than the people. Maybe the trained coon dogs is, but not the others.

The officer that gets too blamed efficient at law enforcement ain't showin' much efficiency about gettin' re-elected.

Our usual fall Johnson family reunion is called off on account of too few of us could be there to make it worth while. That crabby ol' warden at the pennitenchary has shut down tight on leaves of absence.

Orv Freeman is workin' hard to get rid of surplus corn and wheat. We could help him out on the corn but nobody ever made anything fit to drink outa wheat.

The Hardscrabble Clarion is hammerin' away on highway safety. "Two of our subscribers was killed in wrecks last month and if we lose one more we'll be down to the free list," the edditer says.

Yep, it's a fact that 60% of the Rooshans is happy. They've got good jobs, guardin' the 40% to keep 'em from leavin' the country.

Barry Goldwater says nobody's friendship can be bought with money, but I dunno. Maybe mine could.

Here's a piece in the paper about six ways for a man to get enough exercise. I'm gonna read it, soon as my wife lets me set down for a minnit.

Our Hardscrabble church couldn't have a friendlier preacher. He extends a warm welcome to Republicans, Democrats and other sinners.

Grampaw Whepley's well has gone dry and he guesses he'll have to drill a new one. Goin' without water don't bother him but his booros is actin' thirsty.

Sen. Haywire announces that his next campane will be strictly sannitary. He won't kiss no babies, and no mothers over 30 years old.

Game warden threatened to jail Clab Huckey for fishin' with two poles. Clab apologized, said he thought there was two fish in that creek.

Fodge Rucker spent two hours today, tellin' me why he didn't make no money offa his cotton last year. He didn't blame the preacher but nobody else in this county got missed.

Sprunt Yankle can't figger why all this fuss over farm prices. He ricollects when it was tough to sell Squawberry cordial at 50 cents a gallon, and now there's a good market at \$1.75.

Len Hipple says he has stood for plenty but he won't live with a crazy woman and it must be divorce. While he was in town she traded a peddler two calves for a lawn mower.

We hear tell that in Dallas men wear pants that's half wore out, from the bottom to the knees. Out here we also wear pants that's half wore out, but not that half.

Clab Huckey thinks guvverment farm payments is just fine but not durable enough. What he got for not plantin' 40% of his sorghum patch didn't last two days.

This world owes everbody a livin' but looks like nobody's saddisfied les'n the guvverment collects it for 'im.

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Losses caused by screw worms, originally claimed to have been imported from Texas, precipitated a movement by Florida cattlemen, in cooperation with the Entomology Research Division of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, which resulted in complete eradication of screw worm losses in that state. Outside of one minor outbreak in the spring of 1961 (which was promptly brought under control) there has not been a screw worm case, let alone a death from this cause among Florida cattle in two years. And it took only two years to do the job of eradication.

What Florida stockmen have done, Texas and the Southwest can also do. It will, of necessity, be on a kind of

Texas scale. Success in the venture depends upon the desire of Texans to quit doctoring wormy animals, and instead, to bank some twenty-five to fifty million dollars annually which is spent on this pest and use it for productive and profitable investment.

Just how much of this enormous sum comes out of your own individual pocket? How much interest do you pay your banker each year playing host to a horde of screw worm flies?

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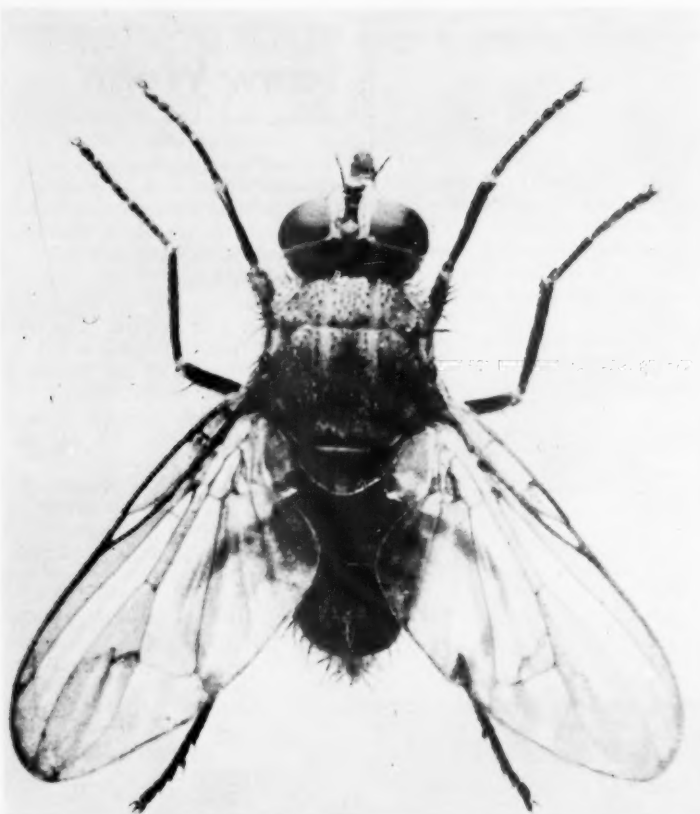
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How many man days of labor did you pay for, or perform yourself just riding a horse from daylight on, doing nothing but looking for wormy animals? How many gallons of expensive spray, screw worm medicine and tecole do you buy each year? A report from the Ranch Experiment Station at Sonora states that from the start of the screw worm season this year, up to and including August 30, 1961, fourteen percent of sheep at the Station had been infected. The report estimates that this figure could reach 28 to 30 percent by late fall. This happened to probably the best cared for flock in West Texas.

The money you paid out for this labor and medicine bill is no doubt your most unprofitable investment. It is non-productive labor of the first class. How much better your ranch would be if those man hours could have been spent reseeding a depleted area, or repairing a fence that had to be neglected because of the knowledge that worms will surely kill an animal in a few days. And, work as hard as you can, if your ranch operation is average and located in an area that is somewhat rough and brushy, you just can't find all the wormies. Many crawl off into the darkest place they can find and die without ever having been seen; and rumors abound re-

garding some so and so that must be stealing from you. Or was it your neighbor who thinks this is happening to his stock?

The Entomology Division, USDA, has developed a program in which screw worm flies are raised in a laboratory, sexually sterilized by being subjected to gamma ray irradiation while in the pupae stage, and, after reaching maturity, are released over areas infested with wild native flies. The sterile male laboratory fly competes with the native male in mating with native females. The female screw worm fly mates only one time during her life, and those mating with sterile males produce no live larvae. Maintaining a high concentration of sterile males will soon result in eradication of the species. Procedures involved in the operation are quite technical. A visit to the Kerrville, Texas, Entomology Research Laboratory, or a talk by Dr. R. C. Bushland, the Director of that facility, can be most enlightening. Both alternatives are highly recommended.

Techniques and facilities developed and operated by these scientists eradicated the blow fly from Florida. The same people using newer and improved methods can eradicate this pest from all of the United States. For a starter, they want to try Texas and the Southwest, from Brownsville to El Paso along the Rio Grande and along the Franklin and Sacramento Mountains of New Mexico.

It is going to take money. Quite a large sum of it. But not as much to rid the state of the fly over a two-year or three-year period as Texas cattle men alone lose each year to screw worms. The Federal Government has

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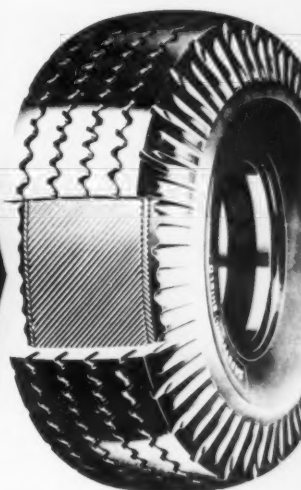
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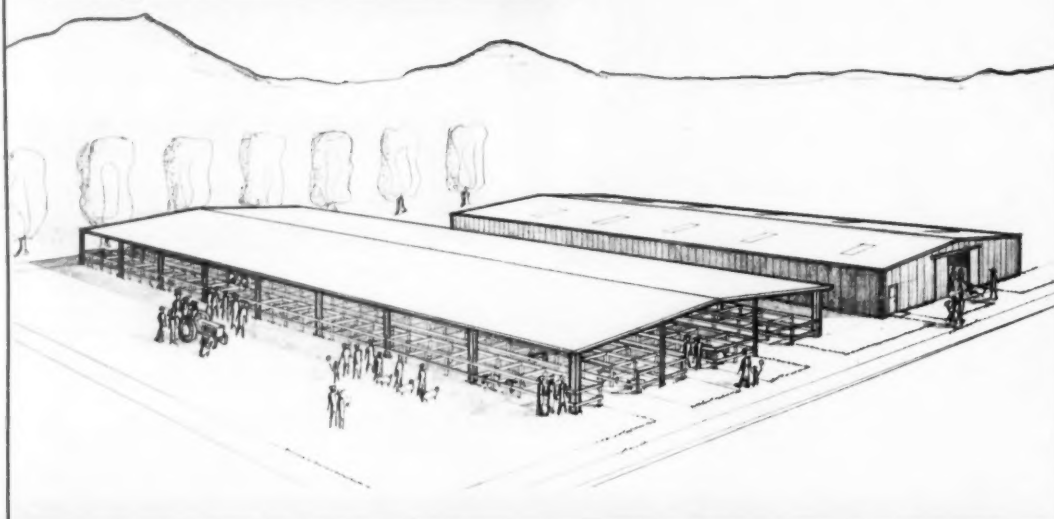
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Screw Worm

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expressed a willingness, even an enthusiastic desire, to assist in the program, but most definitely they are not going to do the job for us. We must have producer funds to start with.

A Producer Fund

To accomplish this very thing, representatives of about thirty Texas livestock and farm organizations met in Austin on August 28 and organized the "Southwest Animal Health Research Foundation." This is to be a non-profit organization for the purpose of soliciting, accepting, and disbursing producer funds to foster research and educational programs in animal health, diseases, insects and parasites. Eleven categories of livestock producers and related businesses will be represented on a fifteen-man Board of Trustees. An initial goal of three million dollars of producer funds will be sought. At first glance, this may look like the Bank of England to many, but let's look at the gambling spirit of the founders of this industry. You are asked to bet \$3.00 against the guaranteed return of \$50.00. No such favorable odds faced the Texas ranchman of the 1880s and 90s.

Look again at the cost on a per head basis, using the 1959 preliminary census of livestock numbers in Texas. Eight and one-half million head of beef cattle; one-half million dairy cattle; 237,000 horses and mules; over one million hogs; more than six million sheep; three and one-half million goats, and practically every last animal of them a potential screw worm victim. To adequately finance the producer share of the program would require a voluntary donation of 50c per head on cattle and horses and 10c per head on sheep, goats and swine. To achieve the three million-dollar goal would require the participation of the owners of little more than half the Texas livestock.

The sportsmen of Texas have a vested interest in seeing this program carried to a successful end. The city dwellers who never owned an animal but are avid hunters. And the city people who own pets. All animals are susceptible. Possibly thousands of deer lose their lives to screw worms each year. Every game animal that receives a wound during the fly season more than likely dies because it is not doctored. Increased game, too, may mean additional income for land owners.

Is a request for producer participation by donating funds for the eradication of screw worms too much to ask for peace of mind, additional income, and a healthier livestock industry?

Some time within the next few weeks committees of local ranchmen will be formed in every county in Texas in order to give the program the proper drive. You will be given the opportunity to do your part in eradicating screw worms from your own ranch by contributing your per head share of money to the "SOUTHWEST ANIMAL HEALTH RESEARCH FOUNDATION."

Your donation will be tax-deductible. How can you lose?

Mesquite Can Be Controlled Rsearchers Say

MESQUITE HAS been encroaching on New Mexico's grassland range for many years. Now vast areas in the state have been invaded by this aggressive shrub which competes with range grasses. As a result, much good rangeland has deteriorated to a poor or low production condition.

Mesquite, however, can be controlled economically with brush-kill-

ing chemicals, according to research by the Agricultural Experiment Station of New Mexico State University.

Chemicals that were most successful in killing mesquite at the Experiment Station Ranch near Las Cruces were low-volatile esters of 2,4,5-T.

Costs of treatment per acre varied from \$.62 for 14 plants per acre to \$1.56 for 125 plants per acre. A to-

tal of 1,400 acres have been treated with 2,4,5-T at the ranch.

Treatments were made with ground equipment. A foliage-wetting spray of 2,4,5-T at 0.15 percent acid equivalent in water was applied to plants individually with orchard spray guns. Equipment was a tractor-drawn, 300-gallon sprayer with 70-foot side hoses suspended to 34 feet on swivel-mounted booms and a 50-foot rear center hose on a 10-foot swivel boom. Water was hauled in a 700-gallon tank. The crew consisted of a tractor-driver-flag setter and three sprayers, with one sprayer also acting as water hauler.

Successful control has also been obtained through the use of monuron, a substituted urea herbicide, as a dry powder. Monuron was applied by a crew of seven to eight men working on foot in flagged strips. The 80 per-

cent active powder was placed at the base of individual plants at dosages of approximately one gram of the active powder per foot of shrub crown diameter. The average dosage was about six grams per plant. Labor costs for monuron application are slightly lower than for 2,4,5-T spraying because of the greater care necessary to cover the plants completely with the spray. Costs of monuron treatment on nearly 3,100 acres ranged from 44 cents an acre for six plants to 88 cents an acre for 15 plants.

"Both of these methods are effective and relatively economical means of controlling mesquite in early stages of invasion," say Norris and Valentine. "Further reductions in costs may be made by more efficient operations. Mesquite control is one of the most important aspects of range management in the Southwest today."



Range Management Specialists J. J. Norris and K. A. Valentine report that they have obtained as high as 95 percent kill under certain rainfall conditions. Greatest kill results when chemical applications follow a high fall-winter-spring rainfall.

HOPE, NEW MEXICO RANCHMEN FIGHT COYOTES

J. P. WARD of Hope, New Mexico, was an active bidder in the A. D. Jones sales this year at Tatum. He says that sheep in his area are doing fine and about the only trouble besides low lamb prices is coyotes. The coyote is back strong, he says, and is more numerous than in the past twenty-five or thirty years. Trappers hired to work the area catch the animal by scores but they still seem to grow, he says.

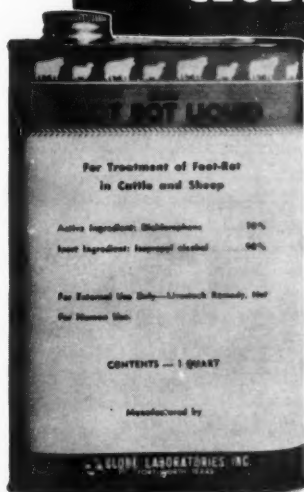
One trapper, in cooperation with the group listed below, caught 103

coyotes in three months. Ranchmen in the Hope area have banded together in a fight against the coyote and are having good cooperation and fair success. "Of course we haven't got all the ranchmen in this fight. Some won't cooperate on anything."

Among the ranchmen in the group organized to fight the coyotes are Hope ranchmen: R. H. McShan, Geo. Teel, Henry Coffin, Felix Cauhape, Jr., John Cauhape, Jr., Cleo Casabone, John Casabone, Lyle Hunter, Frank Runyan, Buster Crockett, John Rush, Dave Runyan, and Ralph Vandervort, of Artesia; J. C. Ward, Jr., Hagerman, and Robert Parks, Roswell, also are cooperating.

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Rambouillet Ramblings

By MRS. A. D. HARVEY

OUR ASSOCIATION office has not moved. We are still in our permanent location at 2709 Sherwood Way. We have had many people think that the office had moved or they just could not locate the office. Most of this was probably due to the fact that our Rambouillet Association sign, that hung in front, has been down some time. The new sign is in the making and will soon be up. We hope this will squash the rumor that we have moved.

In the National Ram Sale, in August, the Rambouillet division had a total of 80 rams which brought an average price of \$65.16, compared with \$73.94 paid for 264 head at last year's sale. Fifteen studs averaged

\$161.33, 15 registered rams at \$70 and 50 range rams at \$34.85. Nielson Sheep Co., Ephraim, Utah, had top-selling Rambouillet ram. John K. Madsen Rambouillet Farm, Mt. Pleasant, Utah, received a trophy presented by this Association for the best Rambouillet fleece. The Madsen Farm also took first and second in the Rambouillet Ram Class and first in the Ewe Class. The University of Wyoming took second and third in the Ewe Class.

The article "Management of the Farm Flock" by Joe H. Dixon, in the September issue of this magazine, was very interesting. Any Junior breeder who missed reading this article should

make an effort to do so, as it could be very beneficial.

Dr. D. F. Watson, Virginia Polytechnic Institute veterinarian, started a test in October, 1969, in an effort to raise parasite-free sheep. They bring the ewes in ten days to two weeks before lambing and shear them. Then they trim their feet, wash their feet, underbodies and udders. The ewes are confined to "lamb parlors" with slatted floors for lambing. He has weaned the lambs at one month, finished them out on the slats. Here are his results: Lambs have gained from .7 to one pound per day on a ration of 1½ pounds grain and three pounds hay. Watson has regularly turned out 100-pound lambs at 4½ months. "While this isn't a controlled test and we've used only 20 ewes, we think the idea could answer a lot of sheep raising problems," Watson adds. "Thus far we've been able to whip parasites, and the system makes it easier to control disease. The records we've made have been with cull ewes—either from the Experiment Station flock or ones that farmers brought in and didn't consider worth the bother to pick up."

A project, undertaken at the Wyoming State Fair, was a huge success and should benefit the sheepman. The project, which was managed by Joe Pfister, Node, Wyoming, was the setting up of a lunch wagon, advertising and selling hamburgers. Pfister reports that about 3,000 hamburgers were sold during the fair. This would represent about 500 pounds of meat. Many customers were surprised that

lamb could be so tasty, in a burger.

Dyanize all-wool blankets, machine-washable, are now in production. These blankets are shrink-resistant and may be washed in ordinary detergents. No increase in price to the buyer is anticipated for the new-type blankets.

We welcome the following new members into the Association: Hayes Brothers, Weatherford, Texas; Dr. R. D. Bridgford & Son, Maryneal, Texas; Cliff and Loretta Schooley, Eldorado, Texas; Victor Pierce, Alpine, Texas; and Julian Miles Pierce, Alpine, Texas.

In the Ohio State Fair, Oren A. Wright, Greenwood, Indiana, had Champion Ram, Champion Ewe and Reserve Champion Ewe. O. C. Hentges, Bowling Green, Ohio, had Reserve Champion Ram. O. A. Wright also took the Breeders Banner. (This award is determined by calculating points earned by the exhibitor upon animals of his own breeding.)

W. L. Davis, Sonora, recently sold 76 head of ewes and 10 yearling rams to the India Supply Mission, New Delhi, India. Dr. Oscar Carpenter and Dr. R. M. Zirkle were asked to select the sheep. A request was made that the rams be delivered in the wool. Mr. Davis has taken care of these rams in the wool all summer. Due to the hurricane, there has been another delay in the shipment and Mr. Davis has been allowed to shear these rams. Each ram sheared from 18 to 21 pounds of wool each. Mr. Davis shipped a number of sheep to the India Supply Mission in 1957.

Wool Sales . . .

THE DEL RIO Wool and Mohair Company sold less than half of the 440,000 pounds of fall wool offered at a sealed bid sale in Del Rio on September 20.

Buyers took 207,000 pounds, and bids on 207,000 pounds were rejected. The bids on the remaining tonnage were pending and would probably be rejected, according to Joe Almond, firm president and manager. Almond said that prices were down from two to three cents per pound below prices paid for wool at the company's August sales.

Ewe wool averaged about 45 cents per pound, and lamb wool averaged around 48½ cents per pound. Prices for ewe wool ranged from 38½ cents for a small lot to 48¾ cents per pound. Lamb wool brought prices from 43 to 50½ cents per pound.

Major buyers at the Del Rio Wool and Mohair Company sale were: Stevens and Company, Boston, Mass., 60,000 pounds; Forte, Dupee, Sawyer Company, Boston, 36,000 pounds; Goodrich Wool Company, Boston, 23,000 pounds; Colonial Wool Company, Boston, 15,000 pounds; and the Standard Felt Company, Alhambra, California, 14,000 pounds.

Producers Wool and Mohair Company of Del Rio sold 271,500 pounds of fall wool out of 445,000 pounds offered at their September 21 sale at prices in line with those paid the day before at the Del Rio Wool and Mohair Company sale.

Prices ranged from 42½ to 50½ cents per pound for ewe wool and from 45½ to 52½ cents per pound for lamb wool.

Out of the total amount of 445,000 pounds offered, 82,000 pounds was lamb wool. Bids were rejected on 175,000 pounds and were pending on one lot of lamb wool.

Top buyer for the day's sale was Stevens and Company of Boston, purchasing 114,780 pounds.

Other buyers and the amounts of

their purchases included the following Boston firms: Huntington Wool Company, 54,391 pounds; Forte, Dupee, Sawyer Company, 24,617 pounds; Emery Wool Company, 10,373 pounds; Nichols and Company, 10,045; and Colonial Wool Company, 4,180 pounds.

Producers of Del Rio sold 297,414 pounds of fall wool on September 22, the second day of their sale. Prices were better than the first day of the sale, according to firm manager and president, Virgil Cauthorn. The total day's offering was 339,500 pounds, including about 71,000 pounds of lamb fleeces.

During the two-day sale, Producers Wool and Mohair Company sold over one-half million pounds of fall wool. This brought the total for sales during the week, including the Del Rio Wool and Mohair Company sale September 20 and the Sanderson Wool and Mohair Commission Company sale on September 19, to 880,914 pounds.

Stevens and Company of Boston was again the top buyer, purchasing 91,868 pounds of wool and bringing their total of wool bought at Producers to 206,648 pounds.

Huntington Wool Company of Boston was the second-high buyer, purchasing 72,181 pounds for a two-day total of 126,572 pounds.

Other buyers included: Nichols and Company, 42,822 pounds; Emery Wool Company, 39,000 pounds; Forte, Dupee, Sawyer Company, 36,942 pounds; Colonial Wool Company, 25,575 pounds; and Lobsitz Mills, Boston, 13,653 pounds.

Approximately 800,000 pounds of fall mohair were purchased by four different buyers from L. M. Stephens and Company of Lometa during a ten-day period in early September, according to warehouseman L. M. Stephens. The adult hair prices ranged from 81.50 cents to 86.50 cents per pound, and kid hair sold for \$1.1150 to \$1.1650 per pound.



BURROWS GOATS TO SOUTH AFRICA

MRS. VERA BURROWS of Barksdale is shown with two of her fine Angora goats sold to visiting South African goat breeders. The picture, taken at Fredericksburg at the annual sale of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association, shows John Kettlewell on the left and Percy Theophilus on the right.

Both felt that the Texas breeders, who produce about half the world's supply of mohair, should be better organized to promote their industry and to protect mohair markets and prices. They point out that South African

mohair producers get about 30 cents a pound on an average more than Texas producers.

It was indicated, too, that the South African mohair market, although higher, was much more stable. The South African Mohair Growers Association is well financed and spends \$120,000 annually for mohair promotion and some \$45,000 for scientific research.

"Now is the time to fight synthetics and to increase the use of mohair. When the market price is low it will be too late," Mr. Theophilus declares.

The two South Africans purchased some 45 goats which have reached South Africa already.



SHEEP AND GOAT RAISER

Fringe and Gilt in New Wool Sweaters

The pretty patterns and lively style story of the new Fall sweaters is expressively told by Jantzen in these gay, young all-American wool pullovers. In cropped and long-line silhouettes they're for the fashion-plates-on-campus. The natural wool fiber absorbs the glorious colors in rich depth.

Sweater Notes . . .

THE UNITED States has developed into a nation of sweater addicts, and by far the most popular fiber for their sweaters is all-American wool. For good reason, wool has become almost synonymous with sweaters in this country. It cannot be paralleled for its ability to soak up color and hold it, adding its own natural warmth and beauty of strictly-from-nature fibers. Wool is famous for its two-way insulating protection — against both cold and heat, not to mention dampness (who ever felt clammy in a wool sweater?). One of the most adaptable fibers known, wool "takes to" styling like a duck to water with its real, full-bodied substance and easy malleability.

The word for women's wool sweaters this year is *long*, with some of the campus-type favorites reaching almost knee-length. Color is another big word in the sweater world for 1961, with the brilliant hues of hot pink, emerald green, Picasso yellow, fire blue, and flame orange carrying over from last year. Wool is the all-important fiber, be it flat or bulky, brushed loftily with mohair, or curly in a tweedy texture.

Color has also splashed over into menswear this year. Usually conservative dressers are giving the nod of approval to brightly colored, and sports-inspired styling in wool sweaters. Brazenly striped bulky wool sweaters for men as well as brushed, soft "crewcuts" are appearing this fall. The flat woolknits are as popular as ever.

Whether vividly colored or pure white, wool sweaters have the synthetics beat when it comes to washing. Now 95 percent of all American wool sweaters are guaranteed washable in cool suds. These beautiful garments bounce back fluffier, fuller, and springier than ever, the existing color constantly renewing itself to original freshness through a lifetime of launderings. All it takes to wash a wool sweater is a little squeezing action with cool, sudsy water, rinsing two or three times with cool water, and plac-

ing the sweater on a towel to dry. No blocking is required for these beauties.

Is it any wonder that today's college gals and guys are collecting American all-wool sweaters? But, the sweater is no longer limited to wear by the college set. American wool has come into its own in the beautiful and stylish sweaters for the discriminating men and women, boys and girls of today.

SWARTZ PROBATION DENIED

IN JULY, 1961, Louis M. Swartz was tried by a jury in Uvalde County and found guilty of embezzlement and punishment fixed at five years in the penitentiary. Joel Westbrook, San Antonio attorney for Swartz, filed a motion for a probation sentence. A petition for probation signed by around 200 Uvalde citizens accompanied the motion for probation. In District Court in Uvalde, September 22, Judge Roger Thurmond of Del Rio overruled the motion and sentenced him to five years in the state penitentiary. Westbrook then gave notice of appeal and the case will go to the Court of Criminal Appeals. Swartz is out on bond.

Weston Cox, formerly of San Angelo, is now at Keller, Texas, where he is stock farming and representing Riza Manufacturing Company, Inc., a feed mill and mixing equipment manufacturer. Mr. Cox reports that land around Keller has gone sky high and is selling at from \$300 to \$500 per acre. One reason is that the Freeway Interstate Highway 35 from Dallas to Oklahoma City has boosted land values tremendously. However, he says that by carefully rotating pastures the land in the area will run a cow and a calf per acre, which compares favorably with the land capacity in other areas. It will also produce from two to three tons of hay per acre.

The W. O. Gross ranch in Runnels County, consisting of 9,987 acres, has been reported sold at \$60 per acre. Some 650 acres of the land is in cultivation. The buyer was not revealed.

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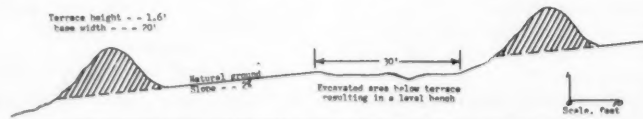
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Sketch showing cross section of terraces constructed by pushing soil from the back side. Terraces are located on the Henry Beckmann farm near Stonewall, Texas. Note the benched area below the terrace that aids in reducing the run-off to the terrace below.

Method of Constructing Ridge Type Terraces From Back Side

RIDGE TYPE terraces constructed with a bulldozer from the back side have proven beneficial in the Gillespie County Soil Conservation District. This type of terrace has been used on a few fields with slopes of less than two percent in lieu of the channel type terrace and results in a wider distribution of water on the field.

Natural waterways or broad, flat waterways are being used. They are designed with low velocities which permit the use of stubble and close growing crops, such as small grain or sudan. The terrace outlet and the waterway tie together, leaving the natural ground undisturbed.

The sketch shows the actual cross section of terraces built from the back side on Henry Beckmann's farm near Stonewall, Texas, in 1959. When properly constructed, there will be about a 30-foot level bench below the terraces. This area will catch and store some of the rainfall as is clearly shown in the photograph. It has been observed that more rainfall is being held on the land where it falls, since the slope of the contributing areas above the terraces have been decreased. This, in turn, conserves the land because runoff and soil erosion are greatly reduced. The strain and load on the waterway has been eased by reducing the volume of runoff.

Immediately after construction in 1959, Mr. Beckmann's terrace system received a total of eleven inches of rainfall. Very little damage was observed at the terrace outlets or in the waterway. Today, after farming with the terraces and the use of close-growing crops, there is no appreciable

damage showing in the waterway. Mr. Beckmann remarked, "If I had not had these terraces, my field would have been badly rilled and eroded."

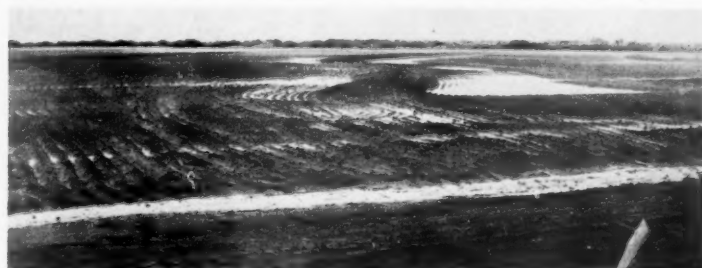
This type of construction is not new. It has been tried and proven on level ridge type terraces, with ends closed, around San Angelo and Ballinger for a number of years. This is a step toward land leveling between terraces on dry land.

Terraces constructed in this manner will work with a parallel terrace system since the terrace channel is on natural ground and is level with the waterway. This eliminates the so-called "turn-down" required for channel type terraces, thus giving straight rows at the terrace outlet.

Field observations and experience of the farmers have shown that the ridge type terraces, built from the back side, have some advantages. A few of these advantages are:

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Cost of construction of this type terrace is slightly increased. However, when this cost is distributed over a period of ten years, it amounts to only forty to fifty cents per acre. The advantages will more than offset the additional cost of construction.



Ridge type terrace built from the back side on the Felix Beckmann farm. Picture is following a slow six- to seven-inch rain. Shows very little water emptying into the broad, flat waterway in the foreground. Water is being stored on the field. The water shown on the right side of the picture is on the back side of a terrace.



Regular type channel terrace in same vicinity as the ridge type terrace shown in Photo No. 1. This is following the same rain. Terrace is at near capacity with water in channel above terrace. Most all of this water is being carried from the field.



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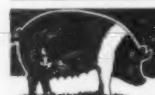
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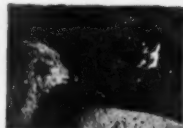
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West Texas Fair Holds Excellent Sheep-Goat Show

By HENRY WOLFF, JR.

NAMES OF sheep and goat exhibitors from Sutton, Runnels, Menard, and Taylor Counties dominated the championship books of the September West Texas Fair at Abilene.

Tom Glasscock, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Glasscock of Sonora, exhibited both the grand and reserve champion rams in the junior Rambouillet show. The top ram of the junior division went on to reserve honors in the open show.

Clinton Hodges of Sterling City showed the grand champion open division Rambouillet ram.

Glasscock had the top junior Rambouillet ewer, followed in reserve by an entry of John Menzies of Menard.

In open Rambouillet ewe classes, Hodges showed the top ewe. Reserve was exhibited by Robert Patterson of Bronte.

Also of Sonora, Chris Berger, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Berger, was the owner of the entire winning slate of Delaine entries. Berger's entries have taken many awards in competition at Abilene in past competition.

Bobby Bredemeyer of Winters, 20-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Bredemeyer, had both grand and re-

serve champions in junior and senior divisions for Hampshire rams. Both grand champ ewes came from his entries.

Odie Dan Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Wright of Menard, exhibited open and junior grand champion Suffolk rams. Junior class reserve Suffolk ram was shown by Paul and Scott Beaver, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Topsy Beaver of Talpa. Reserve open ram was an entry owned by William and J. Q. Foster of Sterling City.

Beaver brothers took home the grand champion rosette for Suffolk ewe of the junior show. Wright had the reserve. Foster entries wrapped up the top Suffolk ewe positions in the open show.

Grand champion Angora bucks in both open and junior competition were shown by Lanny Perry of Merkel. John Jackson of Wingate exhibited reserve champion bucks in both divisions.

Abilene ranchman Edgar Davis was owner of the top open show doe. Junior grand champion was an entry of Jackson's, who also showed both open and junior reserve does.



Clinton Hodges and Champion Rambouillet

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Texas Delaine News

By MRS. G. A. GLIMP

THE MEMBERS of our association who participated in the recent Gillespie County Fair at Fredericksburg are to be highly commended for another very good Delaine show. "Spud" Tatum served as the judge, and he did another very thorough job. A. C. Lindeman and Sons had the champion ram and ewe and reserve ewe, while Francis Kott had the reserve ram. It is always good to go to the county fairs and see the wonderful display of agricultural products along with the fitted animals that would be the pride of any rancher. It gives great satisfaction to know that there are still those who have faith in the farming and ranching industry, for after all, there is still nothing that can take its place toward feeding a nation, or rearing better children.

We are very happy to have the following members to add to our new members: Jamie D. Jewel, Goldthwaite; Bill Barrett, Midland; James S. Bomar, Novice; Gary Wayne and Albert Jensen, Jr., Coolidge; Olin D. Degge, Lockney. Paula and Gary Beach of O'Donnell have made additional purchases of foundation ewes from the flock of Donald Bradford. Paula and Gary were among those purchasing lambs for club work at our annual show and sale in Menard. We are, indeed, happy to have each of the above with us, and we are hoping to meet and know you better as the time permits.

There has been some question as to

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Ted Harris of San Angelo recently sold a barrel racing horse to a Florida buyer, J. Daniels, for \$1,200. Daniels is a ranchman and trader and has acquired several horses in West Texas—one from Mark Akers, San Angelo, at \$1,500.

David Bridgeford is putting in a sheep feeding setup at Maryneal. He has built a 30x90 foot barn and pens for about 4,000 head of lambs. The mixed feed equipment is being installed and should be completed within the next 30 days.

During September ranchmen had a lot of trouble in West Texas from sheep eating pear apples, which have been lush and plentiful this summer.

how a person can become a member of this association, what are the dues, and if we have a magazine. We consider the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers as our official magazine, as it covers the functions of this organization and all the other sheep organizations in the state. We do not charge a membership fee, and to become a member, one must own registered ewes whose pedigrees are held in good standing with this association. To become a voting member, one must have sheep registered in his or her name in the association. We sponsor and give trophies to the Junior Breeder's division of the major stock shows that have a separate show for the junior members, but the junior breeders are members of this association proper once they register lambs in their name. There is but one organization that is for anyone who can meet the above standard requirements. We do hope that this will be clear to our readers, as several of our new members and other readers have questioned your secretary regarding this matter.

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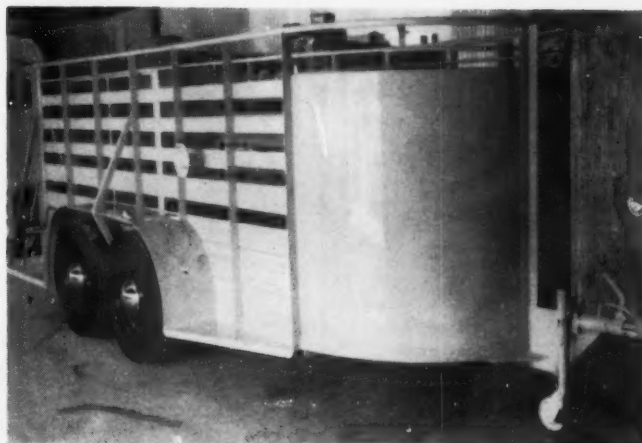
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